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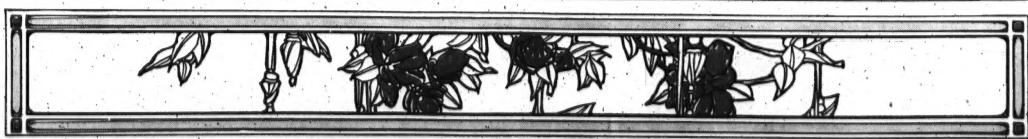
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**Merry
Christmas**



The Christmas Symbol



THOUGH you trace Christianity to its cradle in Bethlehem, you are not tracing Christ to His origin. He did not begin to be in Bethlehem. Never was there a time when He was not, but it was there in that cradle that He commenced to be manifested in that particular aspect. The anniversary of Christmas Day is its own sermon. It is like sandalwood, fragrant with inextinguishable memories of pathos, tenderness and love. Reason, and observation and inference and probability have in every age led

spiritually minded thinkers to expect a manifestation of God in human form on earth. The consciousness of right and wrong within them, what they themselves possessed of tender mercy led them whether they were Hindus, Zoroastrians, or Jews, to be certain that the author of that law of right and wrong, the source of that tender mercy, would not leave man in weakness and darkness to stumble alone, but in tender mercy he would visit them from on high. And Christmas Day is the agreed upon anniversary of the particular moment in human history when these aspirations were abundantly fulfilled.

The eternal reality underlying the human symbol of that Babe in its cradle does not lend itself to mathematical demonstration, or to verbal definition. But so far as we can express it in the poverty of human language, it is God assuring us out of the infinite silence that He is the everlasting friend of man, though we sometimes doubt it. It is God in tender mercy relieving our minds of the awful pressure of such unthinkable words as Immensity, Omnipresence, Omnipotence, Boundlessness and the like, permitting us to think of Him as a Man, to love Him as a Friend, to trust Him as a Father. This unpeakably blessed revelation first touched the world on the first Christmas Day, and thus made the discovery of God appear possible to man. If the Incarnation were an immense and exceptional delusion we should have no concern with it, but simply to marvel that it should so have gripped the imagination of this weary world that for twenty centuries the delusion had added dignity to humanity, and illuminated its darkness with kindness and friendship. If it be, as we believe it is, an intense and unalterable, a transcendent truth, it becomes us to acknowledge, to appropriate, and to proclaim the boundless love and tender mercy that has been manifested.



Carols of Christmas

IN the matter of Christmas carols Mr. T. G. Crippen, an English authority on this fascinating subject, in "John O'London," points out the often-forgotten distinction between a hymn and a carol. A hymn is devotional; a carol is a popular playful and generally festive treatment of a religious subject, though, actually a carol need not be religious at all. Mr. Crippen points out that the earliest English Christmas carol, written in the Anglo-Norman dialect of the twelfth century, is "Lordings, Christmas loves good drinking," which has no religious bearing. Many carols have been written for other seasons than Christmas, but these are neglected. Italy was the birthplace of the true carol, and Mr. Crippen holds that the actual originators were St. Francis of Assisi and his followers, who discovered that bright and homely songs went farther with the common people than sermons.

Mr. Crippen says that the oldest English religious carol dates from about 1410, but we have only this fragment,—

"I saw a sweet, a seemly sight:
A blisful bird, a blossom bright,
That mourning made and mirth among;
A maiden, mother meek and mild,
In cradle kept a knave child,
That softly slept; she sat and sung,
Lullay lulla below,
My bairn, sleep softly now."

Here, of course, "knave child" means male child. There can be no doubt that during a long period the carol conveyed to the poor and ignorant a great deal more than the Bible. It brought the Bible to them through the ears, and in their own simple speech. Thus the following carol is purely scriptural, but it is also as easily assimilated as any popular song:

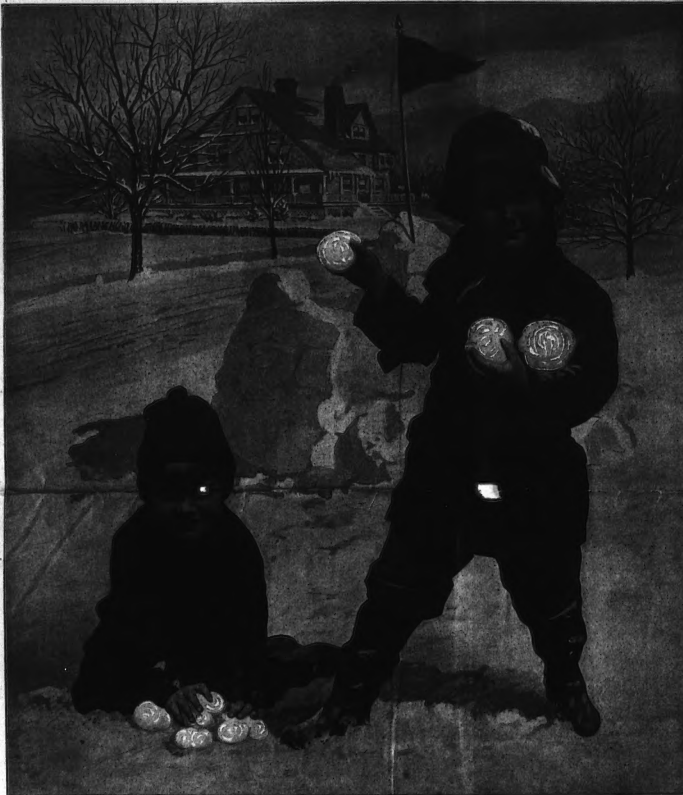
"To Bethlehem city in Jewry it was
That Joseph and Mary together did pass,
All for to be taxed with many, one mo',
"Great Caesar commanded the same should be so.
But when they had entered the city so fair,
A number of people so mighty were there
That Joseph and Mary whose substance was small,
Could find in the inn there no laying at all.
Thus they were constrained in a stable to lie,
Where oxen and asses they used to tie;
Thus laying so simple they held in no scorn,
And against the next morning our Saviour was born."

Another old carol quoted by Mr. Crippen thus describes the watching shepherds:—
"About the field they piped full right
Even about the midst o' the night;
They saw come down from heaven a light;
Tirle, tirle, so merrily the shepherds began to blow."

Of angels came a company,
With many songs and melody;
The shepherds anon 'gan them cry:
Tirle, tirle, so merrily the shepherds began to blow."

Went of All Yule Cheer

"It's great to be happy when everyone is,
"It's great just to smile with the rest
"But the real joy is the living
Is the joy in the giving
Of a much-needed handclasp—that's best."



"DEFENDERS"—A scene peculiar to Canada at Christmas and throughout the winter. The two sturdy young Canadians are defending the snow fort outlined behind them from the attacking enemy. They are well provided with ammunition, of which there is also an abundance all around them. With two such determined-faced heroes can anyone doubt as to the outcome of the engagement?—Taken from life.

Celebrating Christmas

CHRISTMAS was first celebrated in the year 98, but it was 40 years later before it was officially adopted as a Christian festival; nor was it until about the fifth century that the day of its celebration became permanently fixed on the 25th of December. Up to that time it had been irregularly observed at various times of the year—in December, in April and in May, but most frequently in January.



Holly Called Christ's Thorn

INSEPARABLE in thought are the Yuletide and the red-berried holly that finds so conspicuous a place in the decoration of church and home; which tumbles out of great boxes at the entrance to the fruiterer's, and which adds the perfect touch to the Christmas plum pudding. Holly, which carries with it a special significance of goodwill, was known in ancient legends as "Christ's thorn" to both the people of Denmark and Germany, while the Italians knew it as the "holly thorn."

Pagan Rome used holly in the great festival of Saturnalia, a holiday which preceded the present celebration of Christmas. Barbarous tribes of Europe, whose only bond in common was their allegiance to the Roman Empire, exchanged branches of holly as good-will offerings. Holly, which grows in many parts of the world, is said to be found in 200 varieties. The holly which in the earliest years was used to twine around the doors and posts of the homes of Merrie England was called the holly tree.

There is none more lovely than the Canadian holly, which grows in the woods of Ontario, and which, during the past few years, has been introduced into some of the florist shops of Toronto. A choice gift for the Yuletide is a Canadian-woven basket filled with the Canadian holly. Unlike the holly from the South, the holly branch found in the Canadian woods carries few leaves. A big bow of scarlet ribbon tied to the handle of the basket adds a real Christmasy touch to the basket.

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PREMIER VOICES OPTIMISM

In an address delivered before the Board of Trade at Okotoks, recently, Premier Brownlee referred to the difficult winter upon which we are entering, saying "it would require the wisest legislation to gain the best results, not legislation of a premier and his ministry, but the sanest thought of all leaders and of all our citizens. The suggestion has been made that it was time for a Mussolini. But a Mussolini would not be tolerated among Anglo Saxons. The people must and will rule.

"Some also have suggested a moratorium and lavish assistance from the government. But the people should not ask unreasonable things from the government. They should bear in mind that ultimately they themselves must pay.

"We must face a depleted revenue and refrain from insistent demands. Schools and hospitals must be maintained; but road service, public services, administration costs, etc., must be curtailed. Conditions are scarcely as bad as in 1922 and 1923, if judgment is used. As a matter of fact, there is more money this year in Canada in savings banks than in previous years.

"All business, private as well as government, should be conducted on a ten per cent basis, so that the policies of each may be governed to cover inevitable fluctuations which enter economic life. A sane, reasonable outlook on the part of all is required, but we may confidently expect that by July, 1931, we will be safely over the worst.

"Canada is most envied among nations. She produces or can produce her own requirements within her dominion. And Alberta is destined to become one of the richest of all the provinces. With her natural resources, her wealth of coal, water power, gas, oil and agricultural products, she need have no feeling but that of confidence for the future.

ALBERTA GRAND CHIEF VISITS LOCAL TEMPLE

Mrs. G. C. Duncan, of Drumheller, grand chief of the Pythian Sisters of Alberta, visited temples in this district over the week end. At Coleman Thursday night, she was accorded a grand reception, when a special meeting was held, followed by the usual refreshments and dancing. A similar reception was given at Hillcrest on Friday night. At Blairmore on Saturday night, there was an attendance of around seventy members, some of whom came from Coleman and Hillcrest. Following the meeting, a bountiful banquet was served, followed by dancing and a chat fest.

The grand chief expressed herself as highly pleased with the progress being made in the Crows' Nest Pass, and with the very able manner in which each lodge conferred the degree.

The grand chief attended the Pythian Christmas treat at Hillcrest last night, accompanied by a number of Pythian Sisters from Blairmore.

Mrs. Duncan, during her stay, was the guest of Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. Wolstenholme, and left for eastern points by Tuesday's local.

On Wednesday of last week, the greater part of Southern Alberta experienced a snowstorm, while up here in the Crows' Nest Pass there was not a sign of anything but the most delightful weather. In fact, we have not had an eighth of an inch of snowfall since the early part of November, and the heat has been so intense that a number of sheiks have been obliged to shift their sleds and replace the biggest eyeglasses of today—the balloon trousers—with something that looked respectable.

Capt. Janney has been sentenced to a year in an Ontario reformatory.

INSTITUTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

New books this week are: "The Mysterious Universe," by Prof. James Jeans; "The Romance of the Machine," by Michael Pupin; "Panama and the Canal," by Willis I. Abbot. Fiction—"A Ruler of Princes," by Oresy; "The Missing Million," by Wallace; "Mother Knows Best," by Ferber.

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MAY IMPORT GIANT GROUSE

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 19.—Giant grouse, the largest members of the grouse family, may be brought to Manitoba from Esthonia for propagation as game birds. The provincial game commission is ascertaining what the cost would be of importing some of the birds, some of which attain a weight of 15 pounds. So far as is known, there are none of these birds in North America.

FORMER FRANK BOY MARRIES AT LOS ANGELES

A wedding of interest took place in Los Angeles on November 7th, when Herbert Claude, eldest son of the late Alfred Dalton Manuel, formerly of the Frank hotel, Frank, Alberta, and Mrs. Manuel, of Creston, B.C., was united in marriage with Marguerite Mary, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Madden, of South Slope. After a brief honeymoon, the newly married couple will reside in Los Angeles.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE GOES OVER BIG

The Community Christmas Tree, housed in the opera house on Friday night last, proved an attraction for all the kiddies of the town, as well as the grownups. A splendid platform programme was provided by the various classes of the school, under the direction of teachers, and in addition bagpipe selections by Mr. McIsaac and other contributions went towards making the affair the most successful of its kind yet held.

Around eight hundred kiddies were recipients of beautiful presents through Santa Claus.

The list of programme items, together with a list of names of those through whose liberality sufficient funds were available for the treat, will appear in our issue of January the 2nd.

Val Rinaldi repaired to the Blue Grouse and T-Bone ranches on Monday on a visit of inspection. Mr. Rinaldi claims that his ranch, in spite of the fact that it is at the highest elevation and the most beautifully located, in Alberta, has never been visited by the minister of agriculture or anyone else directly connected with farming affairs administration. For the benefit of the department, we may state that the Blue Grouse ranch is located about four miles north-east of the town of Frank, and that it is bounded on the northwest corner by a building 484, on the north and east by the beautiful Livingstone range of the Rockies, on the south by California and Turtle mountain and on the west by trees, a creek and one of the three main highways leading to this famous ranch. This is another fact well worthy of note, that it is the only real ranch in the world that has three main highways leading to it, that might be travelled by any means, aeroplane, pack-horse, democrat, buggy or automobile. A gas service station is maintained, the gas having been conserved from the over-exuberance of the products of the ranch.

Miniature golf on Sunday is held as illegal in Manitoba.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Extension of air mail service from St. Paul and Minneapolis to Winnipeg has been set tentatively to begin January 15. The extension will complete an aerial service of 11,000 miles.

Eleven brothers whose ages range from 17 to 42 form a football team which has won six of eight matches played this year in England.

A flat increase of \$180 in the annual salaries of all Dominion Government workers is to be one of the 1931 aims of the Civil Service association of Ottawa.

Every sixth one of the 22,215 persons arrested in Montreal during the past eleven months were women, according to the annual report of the city police.

If men have to pay poll tax, employed women should pay too, thinks the Chatham city council, for it has drafted a resolution to the Ontario legislature urging the necessary enabling legislation.

A gift of \$1,000 life insurance policy is made to each child born in the new Maplewood Hospital at Malden, Mass. Hospital authorities were of the opinion that the practice was unique in the United States.

Reduction of 50 per cent. in the number of Canadian immigration visas in November as compared with October, is noted in statistics issued by the state department at Washington.

The gross earnings for the Canadian National Railways for the period ending December 7, 1930, were \$3,694,201, as compared with \$4,447,099 for the corresponding period in 1929, a decrease of \$752,898.

Since additional revenue is not necessary, the town board of commissioners at Winton, N. Carolina, has decided not to collect taxes this year. Winton, founded in 1766, population 700, operates two farms to support itself.

When East Meets West

Orient Observes Custom Of Sending Out Christmas Cards

That "East is East and West is West" doesn't apply to Christmas cards. There is now not a single country, from Ireland to Patagonia, which hasn't adopted the Christmas card custom. Extraordinary are some of the cards desired; and side-splitting the wording of many of the orders.

An African chief desired "much Big Number of Christmas cards, to 100, showing White Christian Ladies in their dresses of the Night." He meant to say that he required religious cards with white-robed angels!

One of the queerest orders by a card firm ever executed was on behalf of a highly-placed Chinese mandarin. Gravely he examined some choice specimens—upside down—and thus made his selections. Etiquette imposed silence.

Cost Of Chinese Civil War

Loss Of Life In One Province Alone Over Four Million

The New York Sun calls attention to the cost of China's civil war in terms of human life. The Province of Hupeh is cited as typical. Here statistics show the population to have been diminished by 4,000,000 in three years. This Province has not suffered from famine or pestilence, and there has been no general emigration. In 21 of its counties which lie outside the war zone, there was a net increase of 1,000,000 in the population. Four million lives, at least, have been wiped out of the remaining forty-seven counties, through war and brigandage. If the figures could be given for the whole of China during this period, in addition to losses by famine and pestilence, they would be appalling.

It is almost as easy to find trouble as it is to make excuses.



"I cannot accept you as a husband, but I will be a sister to you."
"Good. When do you think we shall inherit our father's fortune?"
—Buen Humor, Madrid.

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The Christmas Fever

Is Well Worth Catching Says Woman Physician

Christmas fever, unlike most other fevers, favors health according to a woman physician writing in a London paper. The premonitory symptoms descend upon us as we hear the strains of the carol singers to remind us of the season of peace and good-will. Apart from the beneficial emotional reactions that these elevating ideas produce in the individual, this minor community sleighing plays a part. Its response is an attitude of sympathetic attention and joyous expectation, which heightens the pulse-beat.

This season of good will, jollity, family and friendly reunions has far-reaching effects. All the constructive emotions of love, happiness, and camaraderie possess tonic effects which stimulate the heart, increase the respiration, and so oxidize the blood. Further, Christmas helps to dispel those ill-humors to which we are all so liable through absence of sun and the dull days. It brings good cheer to body and mind. By helping to counteract depressing influences it lessens the destructive emotions of dulness and dependency and keeps ill-health at bay.

Christmas fever is worth catching!!

Big Wool Crop

Prices, However, Have Fallen 30 To 40 Per Cent

Total production of wool in Canada in 1930 is estimated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at 21,016,000 pounds, as compared with the revised figure of 20,283,000 pounds for 1929. Provisional estimate of the value of the 1930 clip is placed at \$2,522,000, compared with \$4,067,000 in 1929.

By provinces and for the Indian reserves the wool production for 1930 is as follows: Prince Edward Island, 496,000 pounds; Nova Scotia, 1,638,000; New Brunswick, 875,000; Quebec, 4,968,000; Ontario, 6,325,000; Manitoba, 1,265,000; Saskatchewan, 1,211,000; Alberta, 3,116,000; British Columbia, 1,103,000; Indian Reserves, 16,000.

Wool prices in 1930 have fallen 30 to 40 per cent. as compared with the previous year, and are now lower than any year on record.

Church Bells Herald Christmas

Will Ring Even If Building No Longer Stands Says Old Tradition

A very old tradition tells us that wherever a church has stood on Christmas morning, its bells will ring through the air. It matters not whether it has long ago crumbled to ruins or is buried under encroaching seas; on this one day will come the sweet chiming of ghostly bells.

All down the East Coast of England, where the sea washed away so many ancient towns and villages, the fishermen pause on their oars on Christmas morning and listen to the muffled peals of bells under the water, heralding every year the Great Birthday.

Gifts From The Prince

The Prince of Wales celebrates Christmas this year by distributing \$25,000 in cash gifts ranging from \$250 to \$1,250 to men of his acquaintance whom he knows to be hard up, and who will find money the most acceptable present. The checks were sent out by the Prince's treasurer from York House a week before Christmas.

Not To Her Tunes

He was standing beside her as they admired a beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

"Baby," he said, "I'm gonna tie myself on that Christmas tree, with a tag on me, 'From Me to You.'"

Came the reply, "You can sure think of the punniest presents!"

A Gigantic Christmas Tree

England's biggest Christmas tree was that at the Crystal Palace, in 1878. It was one hundred and twenty feet high and built up from fifteen hundred small trees fixed to a central stem. From this tree hung a quarter of a million presents, flags and bonbons.

A Christmas Present

Judge—"You are charged with being drunk and also acting disorderly on Christmas Eve. What is your name?"

Prisoner—"Donald Angus McGurgle."

Judge—"Oh, and who bought you the whiskey?"

Place Reserved

Mother (to small daughter doing too well at Christmas dinner): "Remember, Barbara, there is plum pudding coming."

Barbara (seriously): "Yes, I know. I'm saving my neck for that!"

Greetings From Overseas

Canadian Boys and Girls Receive Christmas Greetings From Sir A. Stanley, Of British Red Cross

Sir Arthur Stanley is no stranger to Canada, having spent his boyhood days at Ottawa, when his distinguished father, Lord Stanley of Preston, was Governor-General from 1888 to 1893. Because he was keenly interested in Canadian sports in his youth, the Stanley Cup which is the crown and glory of Canadian Championship hockey, was given, which perpetuates the Stanley name in this country.

As chairman of the executive of the British Red Cross, Sir Arthur has served his day and generation nobly in all matters pertaining to the health and happiness of the people by the promotion of Red Cross aims of mitigating suffering and establishing better living.

Writing to the boys and girls of Canada, Sir Arthur sends them all a Christmas message which is as follows:

"Here in the Motherland we are proud of you Canadian Red Cross Juniors, of your pioneer spirit, of your numbers and of your energy."

We know that by keeping the laws of health you are taking the first step in the service of your country, for it is in the health and vigour of her citizens that the prosperity of a people dwells. We know that through your hospitals for crippled children and in many other ways you are relieving the sufferings of those less fortunate than yourselves.

It is a great thing that boys and girls should take part in the work of the Red Cross and by doing those things that are wholesome and kind, and by taking opportunities that come in the way of everyone of us to help others, you can be worthy members now of that great Society which we hope you will continue to serve all your lives."

Recipes For This Week

(By Betty Barclay)

BRAN MUFFINS

- 1/2 cup flour.
- 1/2 teaspoon salt.
- 1 cup bran.
- 1/2 cup orange juice.
- 1/2 teaspoon soda.
- 1 1/2 tablespoons molasses.
- 2 tablespoons melted butter.

Sift flour and salt; add bran, orange juice (in which soda has been dissolved and stirred until it begins to froth), molasses, and melted butter. Beat vigorously, and pour quickly into hot, buttered gem-pans, and bake in a hot oven.

FRUIT KISSES

- 1 egg white.
- 1/2 cup confectioner's sugar.
- 1/2 cup almonds, chopped.
- 3/4 cup dates, pitted and chopped.
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.
- Few grains salt.

Shell the almonds. Plunge into boiling water. Rub off skins. Chop. Pit the dates. Chop.

Beat the egg white until stiff. Add sugar gradually, while continuing to beat. Add salt and vanilla. Fold in almonds and dates. Drop from the tip of a teaspoon on a well buttered baking pan. Bake in a slow oven about thirty minutes. Cool for a few moments before removing from pan with a spatula.

Ship Christmas Trees To U.S.

Half a Million Trees Shipped From New Brunswick To U.S.

More than half a million Christmas trees are being shipped from the province of New Brunswick to points in the United States.

For the past few months gangs of men have been busy in the woods cutting the young trees. From the woods the trees are hauled to railway stations where the butts are sawn off before being shipped.

The supply of Christmas trees from New Brunswick for the United States comes entirely from privately-owned lands, as the exportation of such trees cut on government-owned lands is forbidden.

Animal Instructors

Learning gymnastics from monkeys, horses, and dogs is the latest system evolved by a German physical-training instructor. At his school he keeps a number of animals, which his pupils observe carefully as they run, jump, swim, and climb. Then the pupils try to imitate the natural grace of the animals.

Golfer (to members ahead): Pardon, but would you mind if I played through? I've just heard that my wife has been taken seriously ill.

Norwegian fishermen are considering shipping frozen fish to this country.

RED DICTATOR



Joseph Stalin, Red dictator of Russia, whose evidence broadcast in present trial of eight engineers has aroused strong protest in both England and France. Alleged confessions in Moscow trial implicate these countries in "plans of an interventionist war against the Soviet."

Made Turkey Yuletide Dish

King James I. Started the Custom In England

Despite its name, the turkey has nothing to do with Turkey or the Turks. It comes originally from America, and was first raised to a place of honor among Christmas dishes through Scottish influence. Until James I. ascended the throne the chief Yuletide dish was a boar's head, but James hated pork, and English courtiers who wished to retain his favor were obliged to abandon their favorite dainty and seek a substitute. They were fortunate to find one ready to hand in the turkey, which had been introduced during the sixteenth century and had already attained considerable favor at minor festivities.

Christmas in Canada

In Canada at Christmas They line the street with trees—Christmas trees lit up at night. With little balls of colored light As pretty as you please.

The people hurry past you In furry boots and wraps; The sleighs are like a picture-book And all the big policemen look Like Teddy Bears in caps.

So it seems, day at Christmas, You don't know where to go. Just pack your boxes up, I beg, And start at once for Canada; You'd like it there, I know.

—Punch

In Remembrance

On Christmas Eve each year, a group of New York children go to the cemetery near the chapel of the Intercession on Broadway, and there place a wreath in memory of the poet, Clement Moore, author of "The Night Before Christmas."

According to recent figures, France has the lowest railway rates of any country in the world.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 21

TIMOTHY—THE INFLUENCE OF HOME TRAINING

Golden Text: "From a babe thou hast known the sacred writings which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."—2 Timothy 3:15.

Lesson: Acts 16:1-3; Philippians 2:10-22; 2 Timothy 1:1-6; 3:14-16.

Devotional Reading: Proverbs 3:1-6.

Explanations and Comments

The Salutation of the Second Epistle of Timothy, 1:1. 2.—Paul begins his letter with a formal salutation: "Paul, the apostle of Christ Jesus through the will of God (that is, called of God to be an apostle), according to the promise of the life which is in Christ Jesus (according to the Gospel). The Gospel is the promise: In Christ, the life is the end, and Christ is the way." To Timothy (the recipient of the letter), whom Paul delights to call "my beloved child," be grace, mercy, peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. "These blessings are the best we can ask for our dearly beloved friends, that they may have grace to help them in the time of need, and mercy to pardon what is amiss, and so may have peace with God the Father and Christ the Lord."—Matthew Henry.

Paul's Affection For and Exhortation To Timothy, 1:3-6.—Paul thanks God, whom he has served with a pure conscience, that he has unceasingly remembered Timothy in his prayers. "Paul almost forgot himself in his remembrance of others in his prayers. And so it came to pass that the Lord remembered him, and conveyed to him hidden manna and hidden treasures, and Timothy became strong and beautiful before the gaze of his fellow men. He 'put on the Lord Jesus Christ'—1 Th. 5:8.

Paul longs intensely to see Timothy, and be filled with joy, and he recalls Timothy's tears at his last parting. Paul delight showed how true was Timothy's affection for him. He thanks God for Timothy's unfeigned faith, which he had inherited from his grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice.

The Home Training Of Timothy In Religion, 3:14, 15.—Paul counsels Timothy to abide in the things he had learned and had been assured of—for they had stood the test of time, and he knew from whom he had learned them. From himself (2:2), and from his mother and grandmother, 1:3. Paul next reminded him that he had known the sacred writings from a babe; he could not remember the time when he had not known them. It was the Jewish parent's duty to teach his child the Law when in his fifth year. The sacred writings, Paul says, were able to make Timothy wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus, "if combined with faith in Christ Jesus."

Miles Of Tree Plots

The trees sent out in 1929 from the Forest Nursery Stations of the Department of the Interior, Canada, if planted in one area at the distance prescribed by the Forest Service, would cover 3,200 acres—five square miles. The total number of trees sent out since 1901, if similarly planted, would cover an area of 40,872 acres—about sixty-four square miles.

One of these days we will be locating our farthest north grain fields as so many miles south of the Arctic circle instead of so many north of the United States border.

A Floating Gas Station

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An enterprising boat builder and repairer has launched and moored in Guelph Bay, Scotland, a floating filling station, where motor boats of every description can run alongside and have their tanks replenished. The new supply boat is fitted with automatic petrol and oil pumps, similar in every way to an ordinary roadside garage, and marine motorists on the Clyde hail the innovation as a welcome labor-saving installation. Already the home estuary has a floating repair shop which periodically visits the main boating centres, but in the future there is little doubt but that every progressive coast resort will have its row of floating or water-side pumps to keep up with the rapid advance of motor boating.

Service For Passengers

Airplanes Signal Trains When Transfer Is Necessary

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Relief For Eskimos

Conditions of deprivation, faced by the Eskimos in the far north, will be met by distribution of food and clothing at the government's expense, it was stated at Ottawa. On instructions from headquarters in Ottawa, Royal Canadian Mounted Police are to get supplies from Hudson's Bay posts and fill the requirements of the Eskimos.

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LADY SQUIRES AND DAUGHTER



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he was receiving a hot and affectionate embrace from his little boy. But neither the shrug nor the impatient was lost on Simon Bartlett. As he grasped Nick's hand he thought: "I'll bet my Sunday-go-to-meetin' hat that she's the party who's put by single" that cursed song." Aloud he said: "Well, boy, it's good to see you. I got to have a few words with John Maxwell. Will I leave Sonny here or take him along in?"

"Leave him with me," said Nick. "He likes this 'cage' of mine. Sometimes we're comrades, and sometimes bears. It doesn't make much difference, does it, old boy?"

"Let's be moo-cows," said Sonny gleefully; and Nick agreed with a grin.

(To Be Continued.)

New Town Growing

Minton Is Youngest and Claims To Be Liveliest In Saskatchewan

The new town of Minton, located at the end of the main line of the Canadian Pacific, is now the youngest and liveliest town in Saskatchewan. The townsite surveyed only a short time ago, yet it has two stores, one lumber yard, three implement dealers, two elevators, one hotel, pool hall and meat market, municipal hall, two blacksmith shops, two garages, one oil station and an up-to-date post office.

Minton has a large territory of a splendid mixed farming country, which contains some of the best wheat land in southern Saskatchewan. It is the first town on this side of the border on Highway No. 1.

The farmers in this territory are exceptionally thrifty and they nearly all own their own farms. Very few even have loans against their land. They're practically all engaged in farm farming and keep a good deal of stock.

U.S. Naval Program

Proposals Made To Appropriately \$134,635,000 For Construction

The United States administration's first year program for construction under the London naval treaty was laid recently before the House naval committee by Secretary of the Navy Adams. It was estimated to cost \$134,635,000.

It calls for the construction of one 7,500-ton six-inch gun cruiser; one six-inch gun flying deck cruiser of 10,000 tons; four submarines of 1,100 tons each; one 'plane carrier of 13,800 tons; ten destroyers of 1,500 tons each; one destroyer leader of 1,850 tons.

Adams said the program was exclusive of the proposed modernization of the battleships Mississippi, Idaho, and New Mexico at a cost of \$30,000,000, approved by the senate.

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Electric Power In Rural Saskatchewan

Electric Light and Power Now Provided Over a Wide Area

By the throwing of a switch in the Saskatchewan power house of the Saskatchewan Government Power Commission, a new era for many towns in central Saskatchewan was recently introduced. This act marked the energizing of the new high tension power line to Shellbrook and the lighting up of that town and of a number of intervening towns by electricity supplied from the central electric station in Saskatoon.

While the towns along the northern line to Shellbrook were the first to benefit from the big construction program of the power commission carried out during the summer of 1930, the act of electrifying those towns was only one of several such events expected to take place within a short period. About 400 miles of power lines will be functioning shortly and a hundred towns will be effectively lighted and supplied with power.

Shellbrook is about 120 miles from Saskatoon by transmission line. Another line goes northeasterly to Rosthern and is being extended to Duck Lake, a distance of 60 miles from Rosthern. Another line will soon be connected to Humboldt, 75 miles from Saskatoon. Southwesterly the lines run to Zealandia and thence to Outlook, roughly 100 miles, and at this point connection will also be made very shortly with power from Moose Jaw. From Moose Jaw to Outlook the distance is also in round figures 100 miles. They represent the initial program of the Saskatchewan Government Power Commission to provide electric light and power over a broad area of the province.

Government-owned transmission lines to spread power over rural Saskatchewan have now become an established fact. Toward this objective, the first was taken about two years ago when the Saskatchewan Government purchased from the City of Saskatoon the municipal light and power plant. This steam-electric generating plant, to become the key station for distribution in the central part of the province, was turned over to the Saskatchewan Power Commission and since then its capacity has been greatly enlarged to meet the demands put upon it in supplying power, not only to Saskatoon, but to the numerous towns in the surrounding territory.

Show Good Horsemanship

German and Irish Riders Carry Off Honors At Toronto

Germany, closely followed by Ireland, carried off the honors in the most spectacular of the events in the horse show of the Royal Winter Fair at the Coliseum, Toronto.

The German and Irish military officers and their mounts won the leading honors in the Royal York's \$1,000 Military Jumping Stake. This accomplishment was achieved against the competition of the crack horses and horsemen of four other nations—the United States, Sweden, Canada and Hungary—in a display of horsemanship which has probably never before been witnessed at the Fair.

The Germans won first and second prizes, and the entries of the Irish Free State won third and fourth prizes with the United States coming fifth.

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Little Helps For This Week

"While I live will I praise the Lord: I have sing praises unto my God while I have any breath."—Psalm cxlvi. 2.

Ah, no! the truest worship does not lie

In fast and vigil; spending dismal days

Only to lift the tribute of a sigh.

Gives God no glory. Come with gladness lay,

All ye who truly love the Lord most high.

For perfect prayer is found in perfect praise.

Then, then, I were a nightingale, I would do the part of a nightingale.

If I were a swan, I would do like a swan. But now I am a rational creature, and I ought to praise God; this is my duty. I do not know how to keep it so long as I am allowed to keep it, and I exhort you to join in this same song.—Epictetus.

Where Gold Comes From

Largest Production Of Gold In Canada Made In 1929

The largest production of gold recorded in Canada was made in 1929 according to a report just issued by the Canadian Government Bureau of Statistics. The total output last year of the precious metal from all sources in Canada amounted to 1,929,208 ounces, valued at \$39,551,963, compared with a production of 1,890,592 ounces valued at \$39,062,006 in 1928. Six provinces of Canada and the Yukon Territory produced gold in 1929 as follows: Ontario, 1,622,267 ounces; British Columbia, 154,204 ounces; Saskatchewan, 10,000 ounces; Alberta, 35,327 ounces; Manitoba, 22,453 ounces; Nova Scotia, 2,667 ounces; and Quebec, 1,500 ounces. In Ontario, the Porcupine and Kirkland Lake areas contributed practically the whole of the output of the province.

Worms however generated, are found in the digestive tracts, where they set up disturbances detrimental to the health of the child. There can be no comfort for the little ones until the harmful intruders have been expelled. An excellent preparation for this purpose can be had in Miller's Worm Powders. They will immediately destroy the worms and clear the conditions that were favorable to their existence.

Pompeii Vields More Treasures

Ancient Roman Gold Objects Found After Being Buried Eighteen Centuries

Spurred on by discovery of a fortune in ancient Roman gold objects, buried for more than eighteen centuries under the lava of old Vesuvius, archaeologists are pushing on to additional finds.

One of them is a polychrome statue of Apollo and another a fresco of surpassing beauty. Both of them were in the same ancient house at No. 4, via Abdundantia, hidden A.D. 79, when Vesuvius destroyed this ancient city.

A Feeble Explanation

"Frederick," observed the wife, "you were talking in your sleep last night, and you frequently spoke in terms of endearment of a certain Euphemia. Who is Euphemia?"

"Why, my dear, that is my sister's name."

"Frederick! Your sister's name is Mary!"

"Yes, dear, but we always called her Euphemia for short."

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CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

Her voice trembled. She stopped abruptly in an effort to control it.

"What's that you're wonderin'?" said the old man quietly. "Better tell Uncle Sim your troubles. Get 'em off your chest and you'll feel better."

Gay laughed shakily.

"I haven't any real troubles. Uncle Sim, they're all imaginary. Nick's a darling. I wouldn't change him for—the President of the United States! But sometimes I wonder where he'd be if he hadn't asked me to marry him. Not in Bakerville surely. Except for our two precious weeks in camp each year, he hasn't been away a day since we came back from our honeymoon."

"Well," prodded the old man, seeing that the story was not half told, "he's been off full as much as you have, hasn't he?"

"That's different," she answered quickly. "I love to roam, but I love my own hearthstone best. I'm not the bona fide tramp that Nick is. The other night (she put her hand to her throat as if something hurt her), 'we were sitting together on the porch, and our new neighbor began to sing. Her voice is beautiful. I don't know what she was singing, but it had a Gypsy lilt to it that would have stirred anyone, on a spring night. Nick didn't say one word, but I knew how it made him feel. He wanted to run, run, run, to the ends of the earth. He wanted the freedom he used to talk about. I—I almost hated the woman for singing that way on such a night. It seemed as if she were singing at me. Nick—I almost believe she was."

"When she stopped he got up without a word and we went inside, but his hands trembled when he turned on the lights. And I couldn't say anything, Uncle Sim. I'd have cried if I'd spoken; and there didn't seem to be anything to say. Then suddenly he turned to me and smiled. It broke my heart—that smile—because I knew how he was feeling. But he came close and put his hand under my chin and lifted up my face so he could look straight into mine."

"Gay," he said, "you've got the most wonderful eyes in the world. They'd drag a man right back from the jaws of Hades. I hope you'll be on hand if ever I'm tempted to commit a crime!"

"He was speaking lightly to dispel the atmosphere that song had created; but when he kissed me I—I sort of gave out."

"Gave out?" questioned the old man, as she paused. "Gave out? What you mean, Gay?"

"I mean I—cried. Oh, Uncle Sim, I don't know why I'm telling you all this! I wouldn't tell another soul in the whole world; but you're the nearest thing to a family that we have. I don't cry easily, you know, or often; that's why I cry so hard when I do cry. I haven't been feeling very well, and I was sort of discouraged. Anyway, once I got going I couldn't stop. Nick was frightened, poor dear! He wouldn't let me out of his arms till midnight. It ought to have cleared the atmosphere, a storm like that—but it didn't. I can't help feeling that something dreadful is hanging over us—the way you feel when an awful thunder storm is in the air."

Simon Bartlett moved his hand to his limp collar, which had suddenly become oppressive.

"There ain't nothin' hangin' over you at all, dearie," he said quietly. "What you need is a change of air. After the middle o' May Bakerville

ain't a fit place for a pole cat to reside in, to say nothing of a human being. If I hadn't carried my umbrella, I'd ha' got a sunstroke, just walkin' from the depot. The heat's got on your nerves, as they say—that and havin' two babies pretty close together. I ain't lived seventy-four years for nothin', Gay, and I'd bet my last dollar they're not a thing; ain't you? But what I said. I don't need to tell you that Nick's a good boy—a damn good boy. If he does hanker now and then to cut an' run, Guess you've had the same feelin' yourself, only a woman gets a mile more comfort out o' her babies. Now I'm goin' to say hello to Sonny, and take me down to the First National Bank. If you'll put him in his go-cart I'd admire to push him along down town. Makes me feel like a genuine granddaddy; and it'll give you a chance to rest up some before dinner."

"He ought to go bye-bye," said Gay smiling, "but he'll be delighted at an excuse not to! You're sure he won't be a bother, Uncle Sim?"

"I ain't ever seen the time yet, Gay, when I'd call a little child a bother. If John Maxwell can't talk business with a baby in the room, he ain't the granddaddy I take him for; but if I did I'm mistaken I'll put Sonny in the cage along o' his daddy."

Gay winced, and said, with a smile at her own foolishness: "I know it's ridiculous, but when anyone mentions that cage it makes me shiver. I don't like to see wild things in cages, and."

Simon chuckled.

"That's a fine thing to say about a steady boy like Nick. Wild! He must ha' changed some since last I see him. But there dearie, I know what you mean. A cage don't seem howways suitable for Nick. But so long as he holds the key himself there's no need to worry; and if I know Nick he wouldn't swap that cage for the wildest sort o' freedom that didn't include his wife and babies."

"No," said Gay loyally, and her own eyes brightened, "I don't believe he would."

"Now you go lay down," commanded the old man as he departed, the huge umbrella in one hand, the other holding the handle of Sonny's go-cart. "Don't you bother with no victuals this noon. I'll stop to the drug store and carry up some ice cream if they'll pack it so it won't be ruined by the time we get here. You just take things easy. The air'll do you the dinner dishes. I'm not company, and you ain't got a thing to worry over."

"You're a big comfort, Uncle Sim," Gay squeezed his hand, and stooped to kiss his little boy. She smiled, and her hand lightened as she gripped the handle of the old man moved down the street, the umbrella sheltering both him and Sonny, while he steered the go-cart skillfully with one hand.

There was something so sane about Uncle Sim, she thought. Morbid ideas couldn't live in the same room with him. Perhaps, as he said, her foreboding thoughts had been due to tired nerves. At any rate, she would take his advice and rest for an hour while the baby slept.

Sonny enjoyed that ride down Main Street. Nick might long for the untamed wilderness, but automobiles held more than a passing interest for him. Proudly he pointed out each passing wonder, and listened anxiously to Uncle Sim's wise comments. But as they reached the bank his attention left the street, and he gazed impatiently at the strap that held him.

"Daddy?" he questioned, and giggled so eagerly that the old man's fingers had hard work loosening the strap.

"Hold on, Sonny. You just sit still till Uncle Sim can pry you loose. My word Daddy be tickled! Here, now, you'll smash your fingers in that door. Better let Uncle Sim carry you. Be quiet now, and we'll give Daddy a surprise."

But as they pushed back the door it was evident that Nick was busy. He was talking with a lady—a lady in a soft blue gown whose wonderful rippling hair caught even Simon Bartlett's mild attention. Sonny, amazed to find his father occupied with someone else, remained quite silent for a moment, his baby hand tightly clutching at Uncle Sim's convenient collar.

Whatever the lady's business, thought Simon absently, Nick was absorbed—too much absorbed to have noticed the opening door. Then suddenly the boy could restrain himself no longer. He moved uneasily and cried, his childish voice echoing through every corner of the room: "Daddy, I'm I've come!"

Nick started, and his face broke into a smile of welcome. With one exception everyone in the room smiled; too: The exception was, of course, the lady in blue, who, at the first note of Sonny's voice had been forgotten. Nick did not see that with an impatient shrug she had slipped away, because at just that moment

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MERKIE CHRISTMAS

The season of Christmas brings welcome, if temporary, respite from the cares and worries of the work-day world. It is the time of family reunions, gay gatherings about the fireside, the joy and thrill of the Christmas tree, the merry laughter of little children as they hang up their stockings for the coming of Santa Claus, of happy visits to the old folks at home. Goodwill is abroad, peace on earth reigns. The goodwill spirit of Christmas should not be discarded with the passing of the season. It is an excellent thing to display in the ordinary avocations of life. Give a passing thought to what Christmas means and has meant in centuries that are dead.

In all civilized countries its annual recurrence has been celebrated with festivities of various kinds. In none, however, was it more joyfully welcomed than in England. In that country it was the custom long ago on Christmas eve, after the usual devotions were over, to light large candles, and throw on the hearth a huge log, called the Yule Log or Christmas Block. At court, and in the houses of the wealthy, an officer named the ord of Marale, was appointed to superintend the revels; and in Scotland a similar functionary was to be appointed under the title of the Abbot of Unreason, till the year 1555 when the office was solemnly abolished by Act of Parliament. The reign of the ord of Marale began on All-Hallow eve, and lasted till Candlemas day. The favorite pastimes over which he presided were gaming, music, conjuring, dipping for nuts and apples, dancing, fool 'plough, ho' cockles, blind-man's buff. They did themselves very well indeed in those bygone days and did not neglect the inner man. The favorite d'shes for breakfast and supper at this season were the boar's head with an apple or orange in the mouth, and set off with rosemary, plum, pudding, and mince pie. Nothing much is said in the old records about Christmas dinner. Probably after a simple breakfast of toast and pudding, the ancient Briton had a nap until supper time. The houses and churches were decked with evergreens, especially with mistletoe, to which a traditional sacredness has attached since the days of the Druids.

Not casually or arbitrarily was the festival of the Nativity celebrated on the 25th of December. The Editor finds it is recorded that one of the principal causes which co-operated in fixing this period was that almost all the heathen nations regarded the solstice as the turning point of the year, the beginning of the renewed life and activity of the powers of nature, and of the gods, who were originally merely the symbolical personifications of these. In more northern countries this fact must have made itself peculiarly palpable, hence the Celts and Germans, from the oldest times, celebrated the season with the greatest festivity. At the winter solstice the Norsemen held their great Yule-feast in commemoration of the fiery sun-wheel; and believed that during the twelve nights from the 25th December to the 6th January they could trace the personal movements and interferences on earth of their great deities, Odin and Yeghtha. Many of the beliefs and usages of the old Germans, and also of the Romans, relating to this period, passed over from heathenism to Christianity, and have partly survived to the present day.

So much for the ancient privileges and customs. In Canada Christmas is a family day when young and old gather to renew the bonds of love and affection. And so, in the words of Tiny Tim "God bless us, every one."—Ex.

WHAT'S A COW?

The following illuminative essay on the subject, "What is a Cow?" published in the St. John's Record, Collegeville, Minn., is attributed to Wilfred Ludewese, a student at that school:

"The cow is a female quadruped with an alto voice and a countenance in which there is no guile. She collaborates with the pump in the production of a liquid called milk, provides the filler for hash, sausages and similar objects, and at last is skinned by those she has benefited, as mortals commonly are.

"The young cow is called a calf and is used in the manufacture of chicken salad, breaded veal and other uses of which no further knowledge is necessary.

"The cow's tail is mounted off and has a universal joint. It is used to disturb marauding flies and the tassel on the end has unique educational value. Persons who come in contact with the tassel have vocabularies of peculiar and impressive force.

"The cow has two stomachs. The one on the ground floor is used as a warehouse and has no other function. When this one is filled, the cow requires to a quiet spot where her bad manners will occasion no comment. The raw material thus conveyed for the second time to the interior of her face is pulverized and delivered to the auxiliary stomach, where it is converted into corn.

"The cow has no upper plate. All of her teeth are parked in the lower part of her face. This arrangement was perfected by an efficiency expert to keep her from gumming things up. As a result she bites up and gums down."

CHRISTMAS

The best Christmas editorial ever written is in the Bible. It tells, in beautiful simplicity, a changeless story. There is the star moving across the heavens and fixing itself finally as a diadem above a Bethlehem stable. There are the wise men of the East, first of hundreds of millions to bend before the power and beauty of the Christian ideal. There are the shepherds in the fields, for whom the veil of eternity lifts so that the mortal sees the immortal child's purring "good tidings" upon him. There is, in fact, for the Christian, the most beautiful, the most significant and the most necessary story of all history.

In its crowning moment, the narrative pronounces this superb, matchless benediction:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth-peace . . ."

The sentence epitomizes the Christian faith and sums up Christ-like living. Glory to God is exemplified in an upright life, peace on earth is the expression of a sublime and sensitive humanity. The world struggles bravely toward the goal, and each passing age sees the spreading consciousness of generous conduct. "Man's inhumanity to man" yields to the mellowing grace of civilized society.

Civilized society is most intense in the family group, focused today around a common remembrance however far scattered its members may be. It is of the genius of the Christian season that men far away from the hearthstone can sniff the odors of the past, and snatch from the vanished years a wisp of experience, a flavor of recollection, that holds the heart steady and the mind clear to those affections which irrevocably bind us together.

The home at Christmas is the symbol of that peace and openhearted living for which the world so wistfully seeks. The gifts, the gay cries of happiness, the sweet union of

The Christmas Necktie

ONE of the practices or rites in connection with the observance of the "Season of Yewle" is the bestowal of presents on relatives and friends. (Evidently a reminder of the gifts that the wise men—Kaspar, Melchior and Balthazar—brought to the new-born babe in the Bethlehem manger centuries ago.) The lifetime of the majority of these presents is brief and uncertain, for which "Allah be praised!" They have a short period of popularity until they find a well-deserved burial in the subterranean recesses of garbage cans and waste baskets.

Amid the many and varied Yuletide reminders that flaunt their brawn presence long after their allotted season, none can hold a candle to the 'Christmas tie'. Fashion may decree revolutionary ideas of costume, the female waist-line may rise and fall like the ocean tides (and about as regular) but the emblazoned and spectacular tie of Yule holds a perennial place in the frenzied Christmas spending orgy of the shop-maddened female. Oh tie! where is thy victory? What floods of vituperative abuse; what oceans of superheated and sulphurous profanity have been poured out in protest against their iniquitous presence! For weeks after the holiday season, staid and respectable business men, whose minds are above the frittering follies of fashion, may be seen wearing ties that look like a mess of scrambled paint or a drunken kaleidoscope of color. It is their badge of servitude to some strong-minded female; an admission that the wearer is no longer the complete master of his tastes or desires. Its presence sheds a fearful dread over the lives of many, and there are married men of otherwise spotless character who have been turned into deceitful hypocrites because they lacked the courage or backbone to boldly assert their independence and determination to select their own wardrobe. Many a good citizen of fair repute and good standing in the church has ruined his chances of heavenly reward by the murderous thoughts that encompassed his soul while he smilingly accepted from the wife of his bosom a hand-knit-ting colored trophy, when a tin of smoking tobacco or a bottle of "Scotch" would have made a more acceptable offering.

Once in the dear dead days beyond recall I was cajoled into wearing a loud riot of color that had been given me the Christmas previous. It was summertime before I finally mustered up enough courage to appear with it in public. I remember having to do some work in the garden at the time and I perspired somewhat freely: The color moved back and I dumb near died of painters' colic. I broke out in a bright rain-b-wash of orange, green and purple. I looked like a row of De Kuyper's gin boxes back in the old days on Montreal wharf, after the arrival of a steamer from Holland with a full cargo of "widow's comfort."

I have a certain friend of long standing (he's over six feet) who has an accumulation of red-hot, weird chromatic creations that would about start a riot. He has been receiving them for years from female relatives. Never has he ventured to wear one in public. He would necessitate calling out the nearest fire brigade.

The pernicious habit of handing out those Xmas atrocities would soon decrease if determined steps were taken to prevent the spread of the plague. This should not be a hard matter to control as effective sprays and poisons have been found for the control of bed-bugs, San Jose scale, Colorado beetles, lice and other pests. Someone would confer a blessing on suffering male humanity if a practical scheme would be concocted for the extermination of the particular pests who yearly bestow the "Christmas tie" on their silent and suffering victims.—Ex.

GREETINGS TO NATIVE SONS OF CANADA

2166 8th Avenue West,
Vancouver, Dec. 18, 1930.

To Native Sons of Canada:

The Spirit of Christmas is Peace, and as Peace is the objective of all true men, so do they obey the commands of the Master, whose birth we celebrate.

The Divine Architect bled well, and in His wisdom placed our lives amidst the grandeur of His masterpiece—our Canada. His Divine favor becomes our responsibility.

As a favored people, our advantages should show Canadians before the rest of the world as God-fearing, tolerant, just and thankful, and to possess a material personality which makes and keeps international friendships. The emulation of this characteristic will speed the day when Peace will come to all men.

May your Christmas be joyful, and may Nineteen Thirty-One bring you Health, Prosperity and Happiness. In Harmony, Benevolence and Good-will.

J. L. MACDOUGALL,
National President.

CHRISTMAS WEATHER

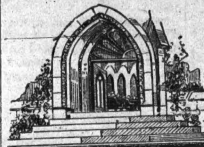
If I were a bear, and a big bear, too,
I shouldn't much care if it froze or snow—
If I were equipt like the walrus is,
I'd not give a rip if it snow or friz.
If I could grow hair like the racoon does;
Oh, I wouldn't stir though it snowed or fruz.
If I, like the mouse, were quite warm though nude,
I would be quite spruce when it fruz or snowed.
—Yours truly.

kindness together form the temple of less generations. No other narrative mankind's better destiny.
It is a wonderful story, whose words sing down the corridors of time, reclaiming and inspiring countless human hearts; none other is able to lift our imagination so tenderly into universal communion.—Ex.



WE EXTEND to All Friends and Patrons Heartiest Greetings of the Season. May your Yuletide be Merry and your New Year Prosperous; and to those who ought to but are not our friends and patrons, we wish the very best that God has in store.

The Blairmore Enterprise



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Rev. J. W. Smith, B.D., Pastor

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Services Sunday, December 28, the pastor in charge.

11 a.m.—SENIOR SCHOOL

2 p.m.—JUNIOR SCHOOL

7:30 p.m.—PUBLIC WORSHIP.

The pastor's subject will be: "If Jesus had been here." When Lazarus lay dead at Bethany the sisters were heartbroken, and on the arrival of Jesus, Martha said to him: "If Thou hadst been here my brother had not died."

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

CHRISTMAS DAY—Holy Communion will be celebrated at 11 a.m. It is a desire that all members make an effort to attend.

She works to lay up fortune,
And works to lay up fame.
Although her name is Adventure,
She gets there just the same.
So, if success you're seeking,
Just show that you are wise—
Lay off your coat and labor
Like Helen Adventure.

—Contributed

THE DIFFERENCE OF A COMMA

The following article is reproduced from one of our exchanges. The presence of a comma where a cipher should have appeared, makes the article senseless: Captain Malcolm Campbell, British racing driver, who established a world's land record of 206,950 miles per hour at Daytona Beach in 1928, only to see it shattered thirty days later by the late Ray Beach at a speed of 207,062, and in 1929 topped by the late Sir H. O. D. Segrave's record of 231,362, has announced his intention of returning to the United States in 1931 in an effort to regain his laurels. The speed tests will take place between January 1st and February 15th at Daytona, and then, to make matters plain, Campbell hopes to make 250 miles per hour.

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"CHRISTMAS MESSAGE"

AND it came to pass, that in those days there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that the whole world should be enrolled, and Joseph went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem: because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child."

Dear friends, once again at the Christmas season, I address a short message to you, which shall concern the person of Christ and some of the circumstances and personages related with him and his times.

If we were in Judea on this night about nineteen centuries ago, we would have remarked an unusual movement among the people. The great highways were alive with travellers, some in caravans, some in groups on foot, or on donkey back, making their way to the towns and villages of their birth. The great social register of the Roman world was being compiled. The Jews, so careful of their records of ancestry, went to the places where they were born, in order to have their names appear with their proper family connections.

Among these travellers was a family group of two, soon to be a group of three, for the mother was with child. In fulfilment of the ancient prophecies, this birth was to take place in Bethlehem, for the child to be born was the long-promised Redeemer, son of the Most High God and of the Virgin Mary, the Prince of Peace, and founder of the spiritual kingdom of the Messiah. The immediate cause of their presence in Bethlehem, however, was pursuant to a decree of Caesar Augustus, which sent them there to be enrolled in the Roman Census.

Who was this man Caesar Augustus? A man of destiny he must have been, since his government so closely touched on the affairs of the Christ Child, and on the prophetic utterances concerning Him. A man of destiny he surely was, who gave decrees to the whole world, who had gathered the nations into the unity of one empire, who gave peace to the warlike peoples, and framed the setting for the birth of the Desired of Nations.

Caius Octavius was a grand nephew of the renowned Julius Caesar. When he was eighteen years old, the assassination of his grand uncle, whose power and fortunes he inherited, started him on an amazing career. He took hold of the dying republic of Rome and founded the Roman Empire, which, historians say, was the greatest political work that any human ever wrought. But the Providence of God uses strange instruments to work out His designs; truly, "His ways are not our ways, His thoughts, not our thoughts."

From a human point of view, Caius Octavius would not be chosen the founder of an empire and ruler of the world. He was a small, beardless youth of eighteen years, shy, insulted for his effeminacy, hating the sight of soldiers in battle array, when he came down to Rome to take over the stupendous responsibility left him by his uncle Julius Caesar. The strength and shrewdness of his mind, in some sort, made up for the lack of qualities usually associated with a conqueror. His delicate health helped to keep him from drunkenness and dissipation; his hatred of battle kept him safely steer a course of empire along ways where great men perished. So in his early twenties we find him great men perished. So in his early twenties we find him dividing the government of the world with the renowned general, Mark Antony. This arrangement whereby Augustus ruled the empire of the west, and Antony that of the east, lasted twelve years, when, by what would appear only the Providence of God, the rule of the whole empire, or of the "world" as they called it, was placed in the hands of Augustus alone.

At the battle of Actium, he fought against Antony, one of the decisive battles of history, for it decided that the west should rule the east, and not the east rule the west. Never did it better appear that the race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong; that whom God will exalt, He exalts, and whom He will humble, He humbles. Antony was a peerless fighter, he had the better soldiers and his land forces and naval forces outnumbered those of Augustus about three to one. Still Augustus, the man of destiny, won an almost bloodless victory, through the treason of the Egyptian forces, and the discouragement and flight of Antony.

Augustus it was who brought about the fulfilment of the prophecy that the sceptre of royal power should pass from Juda about the time that the Christ was born. For he acknowledged Herod, the stranger, the Idumean, as King of the Jews and set him up in the ancient sovereignty of the Kingdom of David. Augustus it was who set up Archelaus as King of Juda in the room of Herod his father. Accordingly the Holy Family, on their return from Egypt, were afraid to live in Bethlehem. But they went into Galilee, and lived in Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was said of Christ by the prophets: that He shall be called a Nazarene.

Augustus it was who eventually banished Archelaus from the Kingdom of Juda and annexed it to the Roman province of Syria. The consequence of this was that a Roman Governor, Pontius Pilate, sat upon the judgment seat of Juda's ancient rulers, and at the instance of the Jews, wrote the death sentence of Jesus the King of Kings.

Augustus it was who brought about that universal peace which the Prophet Isaiah told of as coming to pass in the days of the beginning of the Messianic Kingdom: "The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie



down with the kid; the calf and the lion, and the sheep, shall abide together, and a little child shall lead them." Peace was an unusual thing for the world in those days. The bronze gates of the temple of Janus, the god of war, were closed in times of universal peace. Only twice since the founding of Rome, in its seven hundred years of history, had these gates been closed. They were closed in the reign of Augustus, and the peace that then prevailed is supposed to be a type of that spiritual peace that the Son of God came to give mankind.

Augustus reigned as sole Emperor of the Roman world, forty-four years. He brought to pass many things in God's designs with relation to His Son, the Saviour, but he never heard the "Glad tidings of Great Joy." Seven hundred and fifty-three years from the founding of the city, and thirty-one years after the founding of the Empire, the Virgin Mary was compelled to go up from Nazareth to Bethlehem and there the Christ Child was born. Unconscious instrument in the hands of God, Augustus never heard of that event, but it was the great event of history and filled with profound significance not only for the Roman Empire, but for the whole world.

When it is asked of a Christian what he believes Jesus Christ to be, he answers: "True God and true man." In his answer there are implied the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and the incarnation of the second person. That is to say there are three persons in the one Divine Nature and that one of these divine persons took a human body and soul, was conceived of the Holy Ghost and was born of the Virgin Mary, and so became man.

From the very beginning, Christians had to explain away this example of false reasoning. Unbelievers said: "Three make one, and one makes three: admit that and you are Christians and you will have eternal life." Christians explained that they do not say that there is one God and three Gods, one person and three persons; but essentially different, viz: one Divine Nature and three personal ties, or what is the same thing, three persons and one God.

There is contradiction and foolishness, to be sure, when one affirms and denies at once, the same idea in the same subject and under the same relation. But the Christian religion does not commit that fault. When it affirms the unity, it speaks of the divine nature or substance; when it speaks of the Trinity, it means the Divine Persons.

How did God make known to the human race the Trinity of persons in His own nature, and the sending of the Divine Son into the world? He seems to have exhausted all the ways and means that could be taken to teach these things. We have a long series of ancient prophecy and

their fulfilment; we have the testimony of trustworthy authorities; we have God's stamp upon it by supernatural works, called miracles; and lastly and greatest test of all the fruits or results of the teaching. This latter is a test that Christ appealed to: "by their fruits ye shall know them."

Those who ask for more evidence than this, ask for too much, for more than is needed, for more than is profitable to them. The rich man in the parable asked for too much. He asked for a special messenger to go back from the dead with instructions to his five brothers, and the answer he got was: "If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they believe if one rise again from the dead." For those who love God and seek eternal life, even at a little inconvenience to themselves, the evidence is sufficient. For those not of good will who neither love nor seek, nor serve God, it is useless anyway, for "He who loveth not abides in death."

Revelation of the Trinity was not full, complete and unmistakable in the old law. Still it was strongly foreshadowed. God always proportioned his revelation to the capacity and conditions of his children. He took the man Abraham, who was an idolater, living among an idolatrous people, and made him the father and founder of a monotheistic nation, which means a people worshipping the one true God. They were the chosen children of God and heirs of his promise to send the world a redeemer of their blood and nation. But with a people surrounded by idolaters, coming out from the worship of a plurality of gods, and ever prone to return to that false worship, the thing to approximate would be the essential oneness of God, or monotheism. That is just what God did, but at the same time he foreshadowed the three divine persons, and prepared their minds so that, when the fulness of this revelation came, it would not appear as something new, but rather as something to be expected. Even at that the revelation was strikingly in favor of a plurality of persons in God, for the prophets said of the Messiah: "His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, God the Mighty, Father of the world to come, the Prince of Peace. And his going forth is from the beginning, from the days of eternity."

When Christ began his public teaching he fully revealed the three persons in the Trinity, and his own character as the second person of the trinity who was become man. A multitude of texts in the New Testament teach this doctrine. A notable passage is the place that tells of Christ's baptism: "Now it came to pass that Jesus also being baptised and praying, heaven was opened; and the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape, as a dove upon

him, and a voice came from heaven: Thou art my beloved son; in thee I am well pleased."

It has been said regarding the prophecies: "Granted that the many prophecies regarding the birth, life and mission of Christ were literally fulfilled; it may have happened by chance." Mathematicians have figured out the element of probability in such a case, and the figures make the above objection ridiculous. For if we take only twenty fortuitous events predicted of the life of Christ, and admit a chance of ten to one against any one of them coming true, the probability of their all coming true by chance is thousands of millions against one; that is to say that a chance fulfillment of these prophecies in the person of Christ is morally unthinkable.

The testimony that Christ gave about himself and the nature of his mission is a strong motive for the faith that is in us. The New Testament contains a great number of recorded utterances of Our Lord, in which he proclaims himself a divine person, and his mission that of the redeemer of mankind. Let me recall at least a couple of these instances to your minds.

At the town of Caesarea he discussed this subject with his disciples and he asked them: Whom do men say that the Son of man is? But they said: Some say John the Baptist, and some say Elias, or one of the prophets. Jesus said to them: But whom do you say that I am? Simon Peter said: Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answering, said to him: Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jona, because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father who is in heaven.

Another notable time when Christ proclaimed himself the divine messiah, was at his trial before the supreme court of the Jews. And the high priest said to him: I adjure thee, by the living God, that thou tell us if thou be the Christ, the son of God. Jesus said to him: Thou hast said it. Nevertheless I say to you, hereafter you shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of the power of God, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

There is a motive of faith also in the fact that the Lord confirmed his teaching by numerous supernatural works. He appealed to them as the most striking, affirmative answer he could give to the messengers of John the Baptist. They came and said to him: Art thou he that art to come, or look we for another? And Jesus making answer, said to them: Go and relate to John what you have heard and seen. The blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead rise again, the poor have the gospel preached to them. Such things were predicted by Isaiah as the stamp of the supernatural on the teaching of Christ. The answer of Christ means in other words: Look at what I do and you can understand who I am.

The fruits brought forth, the results achieved, the work done, must be the complement and crown of the edifice of faith in Christ and his religion. He Himself appeals to results or fruits as the proof of all; a good tree brings forth not evil fruit, nor an evil tree good fruit. The robbers of our language bid us look to results as the proof of theory.

The immortal Pere Lacordaire spent a whole Lenten season in the pulpit of Notre Dame, showing how the liveliness of Christ and his religion is proved from their good effects on human society. Astounding is the force of that evidence. Those who know anything of the story of the human race, know what terrible conditions prevailed in human society at the beginning of the Christian Era. They know how man's inhumanity to man made this earth a vale of tears and a land of the valley of the shadow of bondage and of death. No need to repeat it; even those who run may read it on the placards of history.

The remedy was not in the sword; but in the assertion of the dignity of all men as children of the heavenly Father; in the proclamation of the brotherhood of all men; in the divine sanctions of heaven and hell for this new law of liberty and of love. Oh, what royal heights the only Christ attains, and with how magisterial a voice he speaks in proclaiming that new universal law of brotherly love. And the king, answering shall say to them: Amen I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these my least brethren, you did it to me. Amen I say to you, as long as you did it not to one of these least, neither did you do it to me. And these shall go into everlasting punishment: but the just, into life everlasting.

Bloody, cruel and tireless was the resistance of the slaveholders to this gospel of human equality and brotherhood; but it was the categorical imperative of God and it had to have its way. Enemies of Christ and his church would do well to remember when they rail against him, that their appeals for justice would be strangled in their throats except for the transformation worked in the hearts of men by the grace of God.

To you, dear friends, who are gathered around the replica of the crib of Bethlehem, giving your tribute of adoration to the Saviour on this Christmas night, I would suggest this closing reflection: It is good for you to be here: it is your God-given privilege to be here. For the Providence of God, which is the brightness of eternal light, the unspotted mirror of God's majesty, the image of His goodness, reaching from end to end nightly, and ordering all things sweetly, has given it to you to be, not strangers, but fellow-citizens with the saints and children of God. A happy Christmas is my wish for you all.

Sincerely yours,
REV. R. J. DONOVAN,
Bellevue, Alberta.

Pastoral Messages

ONCE again, under God's Providence, we are privileged to come and see the Judean Shepherds, to hear the music of the Choir of Angels, and draw nigh to the Christ Child, to worship with the Rabi, at the Manger Throne in Bethlehem.

As all Christmas happiness centres around the infant Jesus, God grant that, at this glad season, we may not only "come and see" the wondrous thing which has come to pass: the great Truth of the Love of God for man, and man's love for his fellow man as it has been unveiled for us in the wondrous incarnation of the Son of God; but that our lives, our actions, throughout the year, and throughout life, may give practical expression to those principles of which the Christ Child was the perfect embodiment, and which He came to engrave into our human lives. Only as men and nations come to Christ and worship Him in all the activities of our common life, can they hope to interpret the wonderful message of the angels given to the world centuries ago: "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace to men of Goodwill."

May each of us this Christmas and in the New Year find His Peace in our lives; and by our example, through word and deed, radiate that peace among our fellow men. Thus the day shall be hastened when His Perfect Peace may envelop and possess the hearts of all men everywhere.

Yours most sincerely,

In His Service,
A. S. PARTINGTON, Vicar of St. Luke's.

THIS year Christmas will come to many Canadian homes bearing the dark lined features of disappointment and clothed in the drab robe of trouble instead of the gayly decked and glistening form so familiar to us in this fair land.

Even Santa Claus will complete his rounds earlier than usual for his pack is lighter than other years. It is even reported that the ranks of the unemployed will be swelled by the unneeded helpers of Old Saint Nicholas.

Although it may be true that there are comparatively few who are insufficiently clad and fewer still who lack sufficient food, thanks to the various forms of relief by volunteer organizations, churches and the State, yet it still remains true that the pain and suffering always present in the world is greatly increased this Christmas.

It does not take much investigation to discover that the most poignant pains of mankind are not centred in the physical body, but in the mind and heart. It would be easier, for instance, for the average person to have to stand in the bread line, hungry, than to endure the sob of a loved child, whose stocking Santa had passed by.

There will be multitudes of homes this year where there is enough food and warmth, yet whose Christmas cheer will be saddened by the necessities of rigid economy. Homes where, because of the slender margin between them and starvation will have to husband their last cent and deny to their children and themselves those innocent schemings that take place in bedroom and kitchen; those whispered plottings in hallway or cellar, any place where tousled heads and shining eyes can be brought together in real or fancied secrecy.

It is well to remind ourselves at Christmas time that shelter, warmth and food are only the prime necessities of existence; but the prime necessities of life are less tangible. The ministry of beautiful things, of friendliness and love are prime necessities of life. The multitude of little kindnesses and fellowship that go to make up the fullness of life are, after all, the very stuff of which life is really made.

It is this fact that makes the general depression and the widespread partial or total unemployment so tragic at this time of the year. Christmas may bring not joy and happiness, but anxiety and disappointment.

In these days the manger of Jesus has become glorified in our thinking and its tragic loneliness and poverty is not always realized. Mary and Joseph, poor and humble village folks, were forced to undertake a long journey for which they were ill provided and at a time so inconvenient. Worn and weary they came to the crowded city, driven under the necessity to find shelter where none was to be had; they take refuge in the stable with the cattle. There the Son of Man was born, a waif unnoticed, passed by.

Yet from that stable manger has gone forth to the homes of men in village and city, down the ages, the word most healing of all words, the word of a great love—a love not satisfied to heal bodies and leave it at that, but a word that brings healing and life to the hearts of men.

Yours very sincerely,

REV. J. W. SMITH, B.D.,
Blairmore, Alberta

It's really good news to the people of the Crows' Nest Pass, that Doc Blagney, of High River, licked the chesty Turner Valley-Okotoks Imperial 3 to 0. Maybe others were playing!

This is the time when poor old Dad will receive the dozen of hand-embroidered guest towels that were selected for him by his wife after a great deal of Christmas shopping anxiety.

WHY MEN FAIL

Few men are willing to admit that they are failures. Of those who are ready to face the fact, a large number will persist in wondering "Why?" Few will ever blame themselves.

Why do we fail? The Life Insurance Sales Research Bureau gives a rather interesting table of reasons under which the palpable failure may hide his diminished head.

Out of 100 men
37 fail for lack of industry.
37 fail because discouraged.
12 fail by not following instructions.

8 fail for lack of knowledge.
4 fail through dishonesty.
2 fail because of ill luck.

There are, of course, other reasons that could be listed, but the above are fairly comprehensive. It is noticeable that a goodly percentage fail for lack of industry. The man who won't work cannot expect to get very far. In an age of keen competition it is only the industrious who can hold their own with any measure of success. The lazy man is doomed to failure from the outset. And how many will admit that they are lazy?

An equal number lapse because of discouragement. It is very easy to become discouraged, to feel that all the world is against you. But when a man begins to feel sorry for himself he begins at the same moment to lose his grip. It is frequently hard to combat discouragement, but the fellow who is sufficiently optimistic to look beyond an unhappy present with faith in future opportunities is not predestined to failure.

Twelve out of a hundred fail by not following instructions. There are and always will be men and women who know it all. They can't be told anything. Their way is best. They disregard instructions from those who are in a position to guide their steps and if they fail—as statistics show they do—the naturally blame someone else. Their own p.g-headedness is not taken into consideration.

Eight per cent fail from lack of knowledge. Herein the failure may not be entirely to blame. The foundation of his education for his apprenticeship may have been lacking. His ignorance may be due to forces beyond his control. At the same time a man who does not know his job is but a square peg in a round hole. He is a misfit, doomed to failure from the outset.

Only four per cent fail through dishonesty. The dishonest worker is a failure from an ethical viewpoint, no matter where he is placed. Inevitably his sin will find him out. The liar, the cheat, or the thief is bound to come a cropper, sooner or later. He has no place in the general scheme of things. Whether he juggles in high finance or indulges in dishonest acts on a small scale, he does not belong among honest people—The Mutualist.

THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION

Now, when the prohibitionists are getting active in Alberta, the following which appeared in our issue of November 29th, 1914, should be of interest:

"Sisters and Brothers,

You all must know how dear to my heart and soul this subject is, and if there is anything in my power, either by prayer or persuasion, that I can do to promote this noble cause it would give me far, far more satisfaction than a drunken brawl, the outcome of which would only net the members of the legal fraternity \$50 each to square the participants with the law.

Since childhood, when I got intoxicated on cider, I have always been a firm and staunch believer in temperance. What does booze get you? I ask. Nothing but a sore head and a reaching stomach. Did you ever stop to figure out how the habit grows on you? Personally, I never did, because I never had time between drinks.

Look at the distress it puts your dear wife or mother to—waiting dis-

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ner, supper, while you are up town distillin' up. Do you wonder that they have to warm up your sausages and potatoes. Furthermore, do you wonder that they get peeved when you go to bed without partaking of same. Of course, you often save those dear ones the trouble of cooking your breakfast, but you must remember it is unpleasant listening to your cough and gag in endeavoring to get a morning drink to stick.

Look at the drinkers that are in our town of Blairmore. Our neighboring towns have their share as well. My heart often grieves for those poor

lost souls as I pass them on my way to the Alberta hotel. Poor devils! I wish I had enough real money to buy them all a drink.

Look at the so-called reformed drinkers we have in our midst. They all say weakly: "No, thank you, I have cut it out." I could mention a dozen of them, but I don't. They all have the gnawing stomach, hungering for the stimulant their system was so used to.

Now, fellow citizens, when you read this short epistle, you will readily realize my position and understand why I want you to keep sober

and pay up, as this is going to be a hard winter and I would like to be able to pay the bar-tenders what I owe them, so that my credit will be good with them again in the spring."

A report from Coleman states that the Star Creek Fox Farm, ideally located in the valley of the Crows' Nest Pass a short distance west of Coleman, received an addition to its population of over 200 fine foxes by the arrival of a prize specimen from the annual exhibition in Saskatoon, from the stud of the well-known breeder, Dr. R. H. McDonald.

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Generally speaking, the management month—

of hotels has been of a high order and guests have been offered a courteous service and a wholesome atmosphere. A steady improvement is noticeable and we have reason to believe the improvement will continue as long as the present act is observed as intended.—High River Times.

Did you hear about the trick concert one played on Mrs. Cameron at Thur. Ave. have kept a watchful eye on the matter. Well, someone left one of the conduct of hotels generally and the those birth control pamphlets in her

Vancouver police court habitués got a laugh the other day at the expense of a prominent Alberta lawyer, A. A. McGillivray, K.C., former M.L.A., and former provincial leader of the Conservative party. Mr. McGillivray was appearing for Harvey Mills, broker, who had been taken from the Lethbridge jail to Vancouver to stand trial on further charges arising out of brokerage deals, when a court attendant mistook him for Mills and hustled him into the dock and thence to the kangaroo, which led to the cells. Magistrate Shaw came to the rescue of the lawyer and had him released.

WISHING THE PEOPLE OF THE CROWS' NEST PASS A

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Very Prosperous New Year

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MAY the candles that twinkle this Christmas
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ALBERTA

Christmas Cheques for Christmas Money

FOR those who give presents of money for Christmas to relatives, friends or employees, we have prepared a special cheque printed in Christmas colours, which will be found most suitable and pleasing for this purpose.

You will find a supply of these cheques for your use on the desks in each of our branches.

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Christmas Sonnets

HELP SANTA

A merry Christmas to one and all a Happy and glad New Year.
The kiddies expect old Santa to call and the time is drawing near.
Can you picture the man without a job? Just think how his heart
must ache.
No Santa this Christmas to hear him sob, not even a Christmas cake.
Then picture those kiddies on Christmas eve, as they hurry off to bed.
In kind old Santa they still believe, all his letters they have eagerly
read.
They are liable to spend Christmas feeling sad; might even think
Santa's a woe.
He has missed us on purpose because of Dad, being dad is out of a job.
This may be the first time, hard to explain, why Santa has passed
them by.
Not willingly would he do it again, could he hear those kiddies cry.
So it's up to us to help him out, on his mission of love and good cheer.
The poor old chap must be all tucked out, and really he is a dear.
Just drop him a line, he will put you wise, just what those kiddies
desire.
He will tell you the place to get your supplies, and just what they
each require.
You may have to wear a suit like him, with a beard and a lovely
smile.
But that will come natural like sunny Jim, getting happier all the
while.
It's getting too much for one man to do, to travel the whole country-
side.
It is easy to miss a house or two, that fact cannot be denied.
So he is sure to agree to this little plan, it will give the old chap so
much joy.
You will act as his agent as best you can, giving the names of each
girl and boy.
If you tell him in time and send him the list, of the places you intend
to go.
He can make out his plan so some will be missed, as he travels
through storm and deep snow.
Then on Christmas morning through your kind deed, no heart aches
and sob and sigh.
Many happy kiddies will find what they need, and the parents get a
pleasant surprise.

—Anonymous.

A REFLECTION

Have you ever been lonesome on Christmas Day
When stranded away from home?
When for railway ticket you could not pay.
So you had to spend Christmas alone.
What were your thoughts as you walked the street?
The time seemed to pass mightily slow.
Being a stranger, you had to come to meet,
With no place of interest to go.
After what seemed an endless, joyless day,
You retired to your rest at last.
With a sigh the next morning, all you could say.
Thank goodness, that Christmas is past.
But times have changed, since that Christmas day.
You've a good position, close to your home.
Since then you have married, you are earning good pay.
No longer do you have to roam.
You have a home of your own, with enough and to spare,
To you the world is a much happier place.
Then think of the stranger, and may he you'll share
Your blessings with him with good grace.
Remember the time when your heart was sad.
When your heart would have been cheered with a smile
Then just look around you, and you will be glad.
If to someone you've made life worth while.
If you just make him welcome, and feel right at home.
You will get more enjoyment that day.
Than if you and your kindred had spent Christmas alone
In the usual, but more selfish way.

—Anonymous.

THE TOY-STREWN HOUSE

Give me the house where the toys are strewn
Where the dolls are asleep in the chairs,
Where the building blocks and the toy balloon
And the soldiers guard the stairs;
Let me step in the house where the tiny cart
With its horses rules the floor,
And rest comes in a weary heart,
For I am at home once more.
Give me the house with the toys about,
With the battered old train of cars,
The box of paints and the books left out
And the ship with her broken spars;
Let me step in a house at the core of day
That is littered with children's toys,
And dwell once more in the haunts of play
With the echoes of bygone noise.
Give me the house where the toys are strewn,
For the house where the children romp,
And I'll happier be than man has been
Neath the eiled done of pomp.
Let me see the litter of bright-eyed play
Strewn over the parlor floor,
And the joys I knew in a far-off day
Will gladden my heart once more.
Whoever has lived in a toy-strewn home,
Though feeble he be and gray,
Will yearn, no matter how far he roam,
For the glorious disarray
Of the little house with its littered floor
That was his in the bygone days,
And his heart will thro' as it throbb'd before
When he rests where a baby plays.

—Selected

THE MOUNTAIN SINGER

I am the mountain singer—
The voice of the present's dream,
The cry of the wind on the wooded hill,
The leap of the fish in the stream.
Quiet and love I sing—
The calm on the mountain crest,
The call in her lover's arms,
The child at its mother's breast.
Beauty and peace I sing—
The fire on the open hearth,
The calceach spinning at her wheel,
The plough in the broken earth.
Travail and pain I sing—
The bride on the chilling bed,
The dark man laboring at his rhyme;
The ewe in the lambing shed.
Sorrow and death I sing—
The canker come on the corn,
The fisher lost in the mountain lock,
The cry at the mouth of morn.
No other life I sing,
For I am sprung of the stock
That broke the hilly land for bread,
And built the nest in the rock!
—By Joseph Campbell, in The Western Catholic.

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ing all our Friends and Patrons of the Crows' Nest
Pass and District

A Very Merry Christmas
and a

Happy and Prosperous New Year

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and all

Good Wishes for Christmas

and a

Bright and Prosperous New Year

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Christmas and New Year,
1930 - 1931

Blairmore, Alberta,
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Wish You a Very Merry Christmas

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Confectionery — Fruits — Ice Cream — Light Lunches
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BLAIRMORE ALBERTA



TO OUR FRIENDS of long standing—Greetings.
To our New acquaintances—Greetings. And to
those we have yet to meet and know—Greetings.

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BLAIRMORE ALBERTA

Finding the Christmas Joy

THIS may not be a very easy year for some of us to find the joy and light-heartedness that we feel should belong to the Christmas time. The externals that we have grown accustomed to think should be a feature of the great festival celebration are very difficult to come at this year by many people. Present circumstances and future prospects with some do not make light-heartedness very easy.

We would not like to be guilty of preaching any amug and light-hearted sermon to any who are finding life very hard just at the moment, but it ought not to be forgotten altogether in things, no matter how excellent and necessary they may seem to be. There is an old Scripture that says something about a little with a blessing upon it being of infinitely greater value than much without that blessing, and many men and women in all walks of life and through many centuries have proved its truthfulness. It may be that some of us may be put to it to discover a new way of finding the Christmas joy and that necessity may prove a great blessing rather than anything else.

But there is a good old way of finding the Christmas joy that is open to some of us as it has not been open to us in many years. We haven't got very far along in learning life's great lessons if we haven't discovered that one of the surest ways of getting it to give, and there are so many people today who need a bit of comforting and neighboring and cheering up that the opportunities of multiplying our own joys and satisfactions are more numerous than they have been in a long time. It ought to be a very happy Christmas to many of us; not that we have a great deal of money to throw away, or can make up for the financial stringencies that trouble many people in any princely way at all, but that we can be rich in the sympathy and understanding and simple helpfulness that is what many people need more than they need anything else at this present time.

And so if it isn't a happy Christmas with some of us, we ought, perhaps, to look around to see if the trouble does not rest quite with ourselves.

We do get into such a habit of making Providence and other people and the circumstances and conditions of our life responsible for our lack of happiness and satisfaction in it when the responsibility lies much nearer home. Our title suggests that happiness must always be something of a discovery—a discovery that is come upon by reasonable and intelligent methods. That we do not put ourselves in the way of it will be our fault more than it can be any one else's is generally, if not always, true. That it may be, even in some fine new way, a Happy Christmas to all, is our sincerest wish.—The New Outlook.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Christmas comes but once a year.
Then let us while we may,
With willing hearts spread Christmas cheer,
So that all may enjoy the day.
Now those of us with plenty,
Remember those, who's hearts are sad,
Because of cupboards empty,
With the children poorly clad.
There is poverty all around us,
Which some brave hearts would hide.
Those homes could be made joyous
By us this Christmas tide.
A loaf of bread, a joint of meat,
Some butter, milk and tea,
Would not cost much, so they could eat,
Do you know of such a family?

TWENTY WAYS TO WIN THE GOODWILL OF YOUR CUSTOMERS

1. Take care of your customers.
2. Don't make promises unless you are sure you can keep them.
3. Be continuous and consistent in your efforts to create good will. Sporadic efforts will not succeed.
4. Find out what the customer thinks of your service. A complainer is dangerous. Change his attitude.
5. Show individuality to each customer; make him feel he is "Mr. Simpson" and not just one of the throng.
6. Welcome criticism and suggestions—and profit by them.
7. When a customer comes in with a complaint, don't send him or her from pillar to post; that irritates.
8. If a mistake occurs, admit it—then went to rectify it.
9. Don't argue; inform. Remember that completeness of your reply is only one-half of courtesy; that manner of your reply is the other half.
10. Classify all complaints. Study the causes of complaints and eradicate them at their source.
11. Be human, not mechanical. Get the other fellow's point of view.
12. Get employees to realize that the company is judged by their actions.
13. Sell the company to the employee first. Then train him to resell it to the customer.
14. Be polite and pleasant; make all customers glad you called on them.
15. Keep up with all new developments. Pass their benefits on to the public.
16. Take an interest in civic affairs. Be loyal to your community. Promote its best interests.
17. Be fair.
18. Have faith in the honesty and good intentions of your fellow citizens.
19. Do not wait until you are in trouble before trying to win good will.
20. And, above all, learn to derive so much happiness from the service you render the world that your happiness will communicate itself to all you rub shoulders with in your journey through life.

Thanking my many friends for their great kindness and solicitude following my recent accident

— and —

WISHING ALL A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS
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The Joy of Christmas

CHRISTMAS is a very precious legacy to this modern world of ours that we should not fail in esteeming to the very finest and fullest degree. It comes to us, in the first place, from our far-away ancestors and is a relic of an old pagan festival that celebrated the lengthening of the days at the winter solstice. We use that word pagan in a very glib way sometimes, forgetting, in our superior way, that it does not always carry the meaning that we put into it. This so-called pagan festival had embedded in it thoughts and feelings that were altogether worthy of our Saxon and Danish ancestors those thousands of years ago. Gratitude and gladness of heart that the reign of winter had been broken and that the returning sun would bring life to the world once more were the very human feelings which the festival celebrated.

And we mustn't forget to keep our great festival of Christmas pagan in that same way: that we keep it very human, and make it the one great occasion of the year for the homely and unsophisticated joys that are natural and native to mankind always and everywhere. From any stories that have come to us from that far-away time we can easily imagine with what release of joy and happiness the men and women and little children of that long-ago entered upon the celebration of their festival. There was spontaneous, overflowing, uncalculating gladness that found natural and very human expression in their feasting and dancing and happy song as they forget the cruel winter that was still upon them in thinking of the spring that was sure to come. Whatever we do with Christmas, we must, by all that is in us, try to keep it unspoiled by any custom or purpose or ideal that would make it other than a time of happy kindly human fellowship.

But, surely it is true that we do not need to spoil it in that way to add something more to our thought of this great festival of Christmas. We think of the lengthening of the days and the strengthening of the rays of the sun that will work its miracle in a few short months, and we are very glad, but we think at the Christmas time of something else coming into human life that means more, even than the sun and the summer, and our joy becomes deeper and richer and more abiding in our thoughts of Him. We mustn't let religion drop out of Christmas or it will lose its great heart and centre of joy, even the joy that is human and friendly and native to us every one. It is surely of the great wisdom of God, that is so much wiser than man's, that the great meeting place of our Christian faith is around the cot of a little child, and that, once a year at least we gather there to worship and adore, and to try to understand God from what we see in Him. And if we miss gathering about that little cot we will miss the truest, highest joy that Christmas has to give.—Ex.

ADDRESS TO FISH

Dreaming of going fishing I was, so began to think what I would say to them. It is easy to get confused, in one's dreams; between political fishing and fish fishing; maybe there's no difference, either in audience or purpose. 'Lady and Gentleman Fish: It gives me great pleasure to be with you this morning; to see the increase in your population since I was last among you, and to feel that I am once more among friends. On the occasion of my last visit I placed certain things before you. Some of you accepted those proposals and have now no further troubles. Today I am here with offerings. There is no need for you to think of emigrating, for I have arranged to have a bountiful supply of food placed right under your noses. If you bite—I mean—if you accept my offerings, I will do my best to make things comfortable for you. You will be kept clean and cool under the direct supervision of the Minister of the Interior. I am sorry to learn that some of you have been out of employment this winter, but I assure you that there is soon to be considerable railroad development adjacent to your territory, and if you are prepared for this work, the contract will not be awarded to an outside concern. I trust that you will soon find yourselves at the end of the line. You are soon to be weighed in the balance. Something is going to be done for you on a large scale. As for your fear of foreign competition, you will find that there are fewer Flms among you after I am gone. Poor fish! Poor fish! If everyone could see the bait beneath the hook in matters of fishing, politics and advertising, it would be idle to write this, for the reader, knowing all along that he was to be asked to fork out two dollars for the annual renewal to The Blairmore Enterprise, would have stopped reading long before this. The next installment of this novel may include an account of the fishing trip, for I am really going fishing.

"What were your father's last words?"

"He had no last words. Mother was with him to the end."

"ating oil?"

The old woman shook her head.

"Any oil will do," said the motorist, hopefully; "castor oil, if you have any."

"I ain't got any," said the old woman, regretfully, "but I could fix you up with a dose of salts."

He was standing beside her as they admired a beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

"Baby," he said, "I'm gonna tie myself on that Christmas tree, with a tag on me: 'From Me to You.'"

Came the reply, "You can sure think of the punkest presents!"

The ear had come to a sudden standstill on a country road. The motorist descended, diagnosed the trouble and then applied at a neighboring cottage for assistance.

"Pardon me," he said to the old woman who answered the knock, "Do you by chance possess any lubri-

Greetings to you!

- Shuffle off those shackles of dull care....
- File away the troubles of business....
- Spread yourself a little;

—And—

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VICTORIA EVERGREEN PLAYGROUND



Victoria, Canada's evergreen playground, offers a striking contrast to the rest of the Dominion during the winter months, for while all other parts of the country are blanketed in snow, summer never really loses its domination there. The climate is so mild that all kinds of sports, usually subject to seasonal limitations elsewhere in Canada are all-the-year-round recreation, and the beautiful setting of Vancouver Island never loses its charm. Victoria is essentially beautiful, as the accompanying pictures show: (1) The Empress Hotel, the Canadian Pacific Railway's imposing hostelry, headquarters of all social and sporting events and Mecca of thousands who wish to escape the rigors of the prairie winter. (2) The "gallery" at the Crystal Gardens, watching. (3) Bathing in its swimming pool. (4) Butcher's Gardens, once a quarry, but now one of the finest gardens in the world. (5) The famous Malahat Drive, winding for miles through beautiful mountains, and (6) A golfer, driving off at the 7th tee.

YESTERYEAR

(From The Blaimore Enterprise, 1914)

Oct. 16.—The Cement Lodge, a temperance boarding house, located near the plant of the Rocky Mountain Cement Company, was totally destroyed by fire on Sunday morning.

The town council on Monday night donated the sum of two hundred dollars to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

Mrs. J. A. Callan came in from the South Fork last week, bearing a 22-repeater on one shoulder and seven teen grouse on the other.

The first seed for the new C.N.R. line from Medicine Hat to Hanna was turned at Medicine Hat on Friday.

A very pleasant event took place at a recent meeting of Victory Lodge, I.O.G.T., Blaimore. The lodge presented Mrs. Owen Morgan a handsome pair of keys on the occasion of her marriage.

The marriage of E. C. Connelley, of the West Canadian Collieries' office staff, to Miss Ella Inglis, of Glasgow, Scotland, took place at DeWinton on Wednesday. The young couple are spending their honeymoon at Mrs. Parker's, Lee Lake.

The Blaimore branch of the Red Cross Society was formed this afternoon, with the following officers: Mrs. J. M. Carter, chairman; Mrs. Raoul Green, vice-chairman; Mrs. A. S. Tod, secretary-treasurer.

Oct. 23.—Rev. Dr. Spencer is conducting a series of special evangelistic services at Central Baptist church this week.

Rennie Gresham has received his Grade X diploma from the department of education.

Oct. 30.—Capt. Robert Bartlett and eight other survivors of the Stefansson expedition have arrived safely at Victoria, B.C.

Mrs. James Nicol and children have returned to Frank from a several months' visit to England.

H. H. Tate left on Tuesday for Lumsden, Saskatchewan, where he assumes the management of a branch of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Corporal W. F. W. Hancock is being transferred from Blaimore to Macleod.

Nov. 6.—Fire on Saturday morning destroyed Lewis & Burrows' pool hall, the post office, and offices of Messrs Crono, Pozzi and Lyon.

The Enterprise has just received from our own correspondent in Berlin a copy of the kaiser's last will and testament, in part as follows: "This is the last will and testament of me, Wilhelm, the super-swanker and ruler of the sausage eaters, recognising that I am fairly up against it and expecting to meet with a violent death at any minute at the hands of brave Johnny Bull, or the Bully Canucks:

"I appoint the emperor of Austria to be my sole executor (by kind permission of the allies).

"I give and bequeath to France the territories of Alsace and Lorraine, as this is only a case of returning stolen property. To Servia I give Austria. To Russia I give Turkey. To Belgium I should like to give all the thick ears, black eyes and broken noses that she presented to me when I politely trespassed on her territory. To Admiral Jellicoe I give all my dreadnaughts, submarines, torpedo boat destroyers and funklers. He's bound to have them to the end, so this is only anticipating events. To John Bull I give what's left of my army. To the British museum I leave my famous moustache, souvenir of the greatest swanker of this or any other age. To Mrs. Pankhurst and the wild women I leave my mailed fist. They'll find it useful, no doubt, when they resume their militant tactics.

To Sir Ernest Shackleton I leave the Polo, for I've been up it so long that I regard it as my own property.

(Signed) H. I. M. Wilhelm, G. E. Lord of the Land, Sea and Air.

Signed by the above named Wilhelm as his Last Will in the presence of the following witnesses: Baron von Sauerkrantz and Graf von Munich-lagerbier.

A patriotic society has been organized at Bellevue, with the following officers: W. P. Williams, chairman; A. J. Kelly, secretary-treasurer.

D. C. Drain, proprietor of the Blaimore hotel, has made an assignment. Const. Slutchbury arrived from Macleod on Monday to join the local police detachment.

Out of the ruins of Saturday morning's fire, Rev. J. F. Hunter extracted an envelope containing an Orangeman's sash, scarlet. Neither the sash nor the envelope were damaged.

Walter Howe, writing to his parents from Plymouth, England, under date of October 21, gives a graphic description of the transportation of Canadian troops from Valcartier, Quebec, to England. Walter has the honor of being the only Blaimore boy with the Canadian forces in Europe, and is a private with the Tenth Battalion of the 103rd Calgary Rifles. He crossed the Atlantic on the Scandinavian, his ship occupying sixth place in the long procession of transports that marked the greatest event in Canadian military history.

Among the pupils regular in attendance and punctual at the local school last month were: Milda Bond, Maurice Maniquet, Harold Sparks, Bertha Doubt, Louis Pozzi, Freda Brown, George Christophers, Margaret Lyon, Gertrude Dutil, Stanley McPhail, Tony Poggioni, Alfred Vangotainoven, Edna Cross, Louis Rossi, Maurice Bond, Gilbert Bourgoin, Fernand Capron, Lindsay Carter, Phil Christophers, Annie Doubt, Dorothy Hinds, Tom Kemp, George Maniquet, Frank McLeod, Jessie McVey, Willie Nemrava, Benvenuta Pozzi, Jean Shearer, George Shearer, Eleanor



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ALBERTA

Sparks, Marion Turner and Albert Timodeau.

At a meeting of Oddfellows, held at Lethbridge this week, Robert Niven was presented with a veteran's jewel.

Nov. 13.—A chapter of the Eastern Star was organized at Hillcrest on Thursday night last by Mrs. Kenny and Mr. Nicol, grand matron and grand patron, respectively, assisted by Mrs. Cruickshank and D. S. Howe. The officers of the new order are: Mrs. D. S. Howe, worthy matron; George Pattinson, worthy patron; Mrs. G. Cruickshank, secretary; Mrs. T. Taylor, treasurer; Mrs. Pattinson, conductor; D. S. Howe, Marshall; John Wallace, sentinel.

The defunct Dominion Trust Company is included to the Methodist church of Canada to the extent of \$121,000.

Judge Carpenter, of Calgary, is to be married next week to Miss Lelia Wigle at Windsor, Ontario.

F. M. Steele, of the firm of Woods & Steele, Pincher Creek, will go to the front with the next Canadian contingent, having received a commission as adjutant and captain in the Manitoba battalion. Mr. Steele is a veteran of the Boer War, having enlisted with the Imperial Yeomanry and later holding rank of captain with the Cheshmere regiment.

Nov. 20.—The residence and store of Mrs. J. B. Rudd was totally destroyed by fire at Maple Leaf this morning.

Charlie Ray, of Blaimore, and Charlie Quinette, of Coleman volunteered for overseas service today.

Bert White, well known in local hockey circles, was found dead in a bush near Gateway this week.

Ephraim: "What yo' all doin' wi' dat papah, Mose?"

Mose: "Ise writin' mah gal a leetah."

Ephraim: "Go 'way, niggah, yo' kain't write."

Mose: "At's all right, Snoko, mah gal kain't read."

CAN YOU HELP AT CHRISTMAS?

Is your list complete, of the gifts you buy,
For your kin and friends galore,
Could you not stretch it and get real joy,
By including the hungry poor.

You with your tables loaded down
With the best of good things to eat,
Think of the unfortunate of your town
Going hungry and ill clad through the street.

On Christmas day, in the poor man's shack,
Will the parents hearts be sore,
Times are so hard with work so slack,
Their credit limited at the store.

The kiddies too young to realize,
Why Santa passes them by,
With their broken hearts, their sobs and sighs,
For them there's no Christmas joy.

But the Saviour, still, as in days of yore,
Has a place in His heart for them,
Bids us give liberally of our store
To those more unfortunate men.

If Christ you then would truly please,
As you celebrate His birth,
In as much as ye have done it unto these,
Still applies to us on earth.

Oh, may our hearts be open, open wide,
May we give of the best we possess,
May our gifts to the poor, like the ocean tide,
Be such that God would bless.

If you have done your part, your very best,
If your gifts have been given with love,
You feel in your heart that you have been blest,
With a smile from the Saviour above.

Then look into the eyes of those girls and boys,
With their faith in Santa restored,
Their hearts are glad, they are warmly clad,
Through your service to the Lord.

Then with peace in your hearts, this Christmas day,
When of the good things of life you partake,
Thank God in your heart, for the wonderful way,
Your gifts have been blest, for his sake.

—Anonymous.

DAYS

Glad days, and days, duly ebb and flow,
Long days, wrong days, serpentine and slow,
Brief days, grief days, laden deep with woe,
Days that all must have an Ending.

Free days, glee days, flitting here and there,
Chill days, ill days, difficult to bear,
Mood days, brood days, fraught with caring care,
Days that all must have an Ending.

Bright days, right days, pleasant things to do,
Mild days, wild days, making much ado,
Gay days, play days, happy times for you,
Days that all must have an Ending.

Slave days, grave days, naught but tollsome work,
Worst days, curst days, times all like to shirk,
Bleak days, freak days, wherein dangers lurk,
Days that all must have an Ending.

Great days, fete days, beauty-filled and light,
Fair days, rare days, swift as eagle's flight,
Best days, zest days, ere the peaceful night,
Days that all must have an Ending.

—Grenville Kleiser.

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Cast in Nature's finest mold;
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She is worth her weight in gold.
She works both late and early,
To please she always tries.
The name of this fair maiden
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you haven't yet paid me for the
turkey you had at Christmas.

Customer—No, my husband sprained
his wrist so badly carving it that
he hasn't been able to write out your
cheque yet.

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Officers for the ensuing term: Sister
Patterson, N.G.; Thos. McKay, V.G.;
A. Tiberg, Recording Secretary.

Crowview Rebekah Lodge
No. 66, I. O. O. F.

Meets First and Third Thursdays
at 8 p.m., in the Outfitters' Hall.
Officers for the ensuing term: Sister
Barabill, N.G.; Sister Erikson, V.G.;
Sister Howe, R.S.; Sister Walker, F. S.;
Sister Archer, Treas.

**Livingstone Lodge No. 22,
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS**

Meets in the Castle Hall on the
Second and Fourth Fridays of the
month at 8 p.m. Visitors are always
welcome. Officers: C. C. Harry, Som-
ers; K. H. S. S., B. Senior.

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B. P. O. ELKS**

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays
at 8 p.m., in the Moose Hall. Visitors
made welcome. C. J. Tompkins, Ex-
alted Ruler; J. R. McLeod, Secretary.

WANTED—Hear from owner good
Farm for sale, cash price, particulars,
D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn.

Here and There

(635)

Officially closing the 1930 ship-
ping season as far as inward bound
Quebec terminals ships are con-
cerned, Canadian Pacific liner Em-
press of Australia docked at An-
son's wharf November 21, carrying
back from the Imperial Conference
Premier Ferguson of Ontario, H. A.
Buck, Ontario Minister of Justice,
Hon. C. H. Mahood, Secretary of
State, and Hon. Thomas Chappin,
Canadian delegate to the League
of Nations.

Dressed poultry shows are being
held in Regina on December 10th
and in Saskatoon on December
11th for the purpose of arousing
freely competition in poultry pro-
duction among the farmers of the
province and further to advertise
the poultry industry, according to
W. Waldron, provincial markets
commissioner. Mr. Waldron said
that money prizes and special
awards are to be given at these
shows.

Little Julian Vebok, of Prince-
ton, B.C., six years of age, has ac-
cepted foster parenthood of his
2½-year-old sister, Marie, and his
11-month-old brother, Mat, across
the Atlantic on Canadian Pacific
liner Montcalm, while their father
travels back to his wifeless home in
the mountains. The children were
turned over to their grandmother
at (rebour) and will be taken to
Prague, Czechoslovakia.

Headed by the Rt. Rev. Andre
Leclerc, Bishop of the P. X.
China, four priests and eight sis-
ters, composing the largest mis-
sionary party to leave Canada for
the Far East this year, left recent-
ly from Vancouver by S. S. Empress
of Asia. They will join missions
in Japan and Manchuria as well as
China.

That the British and American
people should assist the Kuomintang
National Government in the
continuation of its difficult task of
drawing China together, is the
opinion of Col. H. H. Hall, D.S.O.,
British Customs Commissioner, late
of Tientsin, interviewed recently
while en route to London, England,
by Canadian Pacific Railway. "The
bravos, military power and general
ability are to be found in this
Southern Government and only
when China is reorganized will
business conditions become stabl-
lized," he added.

It is just 25 years since the pro-
vinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan
were created. At that time
the population of Alberta was
185,000. It is now about 650,000.
Saskatchewan in 1905 had a popu-
lation of about 150,000; now it is
around 387,000. Total area of
land under cultivation in Alberta,
25 years ago, was 660,000 acres,
and in Saskatchewan, 2,000,000.
Today the two provinces have 15-
000,000 and 30,000,000 acres under
crop, respectively.

Two big bull moose—one of them
one of the first this year to come
out of New Brunswick forests—
and six buck deer were the trophies
of the hunting party headed
by Bob Shawkey, late manager of
New York Yankees. Harry Rice,
Yankee outfielder; Danny Ben-
gough, former Yankee catcher, now
with Milwaukee, and John Kracko,
New York sportsman, were the
other members of the party and all
were successful in getting game.

The Southern Alberta honey
crop this year will reach at least
1,000,000 pounds or almost double
what it was a year ago, according
to latest advice. The quality this
year is said to be very high.

Sunday, July 20, will see nearly
a hundred tourists leave Montreal
and Toronto on the seventh an-
nual Across Canada tour organized
by Dean Sinclair, Laird of Macdonald
College, Quebec. They will travel over 6,000 miles in
visiting the Pacific Coast, Vancouver
Island, Rocky Mountains
Parks, the Prairie Provinces and
almost every district of outstanding
beauty as well as those of in-
dustrial and historical interest in
Central and Western Canada.

Automatic head regulation has
now been installed for the first
time in Canada as regular equip-
ment on railway passenger cars
with the introduction by the Cana-
dian Pacific Railway of their new
"S" type standard sleepers, con-
structed at the Angus Shops,
Montreal, to the design of the
company's experts. Two of them
are already in service on the
"Trans-Canada Limited."

A bronze memorial tablet mark-
ing the house in Fredericton,
where Biles Carman, Canadian
poet, spent his boyhood days, has
been unveiled in the New Brun-
swick capital by the Imperial Order
Daughters of the Empire, New
Brunswick section.

P. W. Bishop, president of the
United Fruit Companies of Nova
Scotia, stated recently that fruit
growers in the province expected a
bumper crop of good quality fruit
this year. He said the opinion that
the crop would be about 50
or 60 per cent high grade.

The National Dairy Council of
Canada in a recent report stated
that in Saskatchewan stood third in
the Dominion in the matter of es-
timated gross revenue from dairy
products in 1929. The figures are
given at \$21,000,000 as compared
with \$20,975,000 the previous year.

Norman: "Wonderful night, a
beautiful girl—what a combination."
Cora: "Heavens, is that showing
too?"

A New Year Adventure

ANOTHER New Year is almost with us. May it prove
a happy one to us all. We can all make the New
Year worth while if we only set about doing it in the
right way. We can use it to our profit if we will make up
our minds to get rid of a lot of useless encumbrances that,
weed-like, are hindering our mental growth and develop-
ment.

I used to make New Year resolutions when I was young-
er—I do yet, as far as that goes—but not in quite the
same way. I give them a little more consideration now,
for I find that promises rashly made are easily forgotten.
Many of us are apt to be carried away with a sudden ven-
om from old faults, and imagine that we immediately
become new creations, and endowed with angelic attri-
butes. But we don't. We've got to do something more
than merely make promises. We've got to dump overboard
all the old grievances and encumbrances and selfishness
and foolish ways and replace them with sympathetic and
considerate understanding and worth-while friendships.
Then with love and kindness and good cheer in our hearts,
with a smile and a song on our lips, with courage to
help over the rough spots, may we press onward with new
clean hopes and high resolutions to find the coming New
Year one wonderful glorious adventure.—E.C.

THE FIRST NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT

Nowadays, when such enormous sums are spent on ad-
vertising in the press, it is interesting to recall that this
particular form of publicity started in quite a humble
way. Strangely enough, one of the first advertisements in
connection with which money was paid for insertion, had
to do with the loss of a horse. In a London publication
known as The Moderate, a journal which appeared in 1649,
there was printed the following notice:

READER, thou art entreated to enquire after a blackish
kind of pishald nag, very poor, his face, feet and flank
white, and a little white tip on his tail. He was stolen
from grass from John Rotherman of Barnet, in Hertford-
shire. Whosoever will enquire, find him out, and bring, or
send tidings of him, shall have what content they will for
their pains.

From an announcement in a later issue of The Moder-
ate it is pleasant to know that this advertisement was a
success. A few days after the appearance of the notice
the horse was located by a person several miles from
where it was stolen.

Melody Mike Greet You



Canada is sold on "Melody
Mike." Every Monday night when you
tune in on your radio this is the
genial old soul who delights you
and whose popularity across the
Dominion is attested by the fact
that more than 15,000 fan letters
of praise and commendation have
been received in a month by the
Canadian Pacific Radio depart-
ment under whose auspices "Mel-
ody Mike's Music Shop" feature
has been sent out over an all-

Canadian C. P. R. network. This
huge fan mail is doubling at the
end of November 970 letters
came in on one day. The opinion
of radio fans is borne out by the
views of radio station authorities.
—most difficult of men to con-
vince—who state that in their
considered opinion, this feature is
with one exception the most popu-
lar radio offering on the air to-
day. Remember too that artists,
presentation, and radio outfit are
all-Canadian.

Your Opportunity

TO PURCHASE MEATS AT SAVING PRICES

Fresh Hamburger, 2 lbs 25c
Choice Ribs of Beef, per lb 18c
Choice Milk Fed Veal shoulder, per lb 20c
Choice Milk Fed Veal for Boiling, per lb 15c
Choice Milk Fed Spring Lamb shoulder, per lb 22c
Choice Milk Fed Spring Lamb for Steaming, lb. 13c
Fresh Pork Sausage, home made, per lb 19c
Fresh Beef Liver and Fresh Calf Liver, prices right

Alberta Meat Market

Corner Victoria St. and 5th Ave. — Phone 6 — Blairmore, Alberta

COMPARISONS ARE ODISIOUS
BUT THEY BRING OUT
UNDENIABLE FACTS

Compare Alberta in Prohibition
days, with bootlegging rampant, "blind
pigs" in so-called drug stores, the
"smart" hip flask, the disregard of law
and order.

TODAY—Properly licensed hotels
and clubs under strict government
supervision, regulated beer rooms, con-
trolled purchasing of liquor, decent ho-
tels and a respect of the law.

Compare the country across the line,
with its racketeers, gangs, corruption,
murders, open defiance of authority.
Look at Alberta, respected and honor-
ed. Would we change places?

Comparisons ARE Odious!
But Here Are The Facts

DO NOT sign the Prohibition
Petition. We do not want the
bootlegger to flourish again.

Moderation League of Alberta, Inc.

In Memoriam
Shed a tear o'er Mary McQueer
Death held her for no terrors,
She lived an old maid
She died an old maid
No runs! No hits! No errors!

Magistrate: "And you were having
words with your wife?"
Defendant: "Not with 'er, your
honor—from 'er!"

Adam and Eve had an awful time—
Truly, for I'm no liar—
They couldn't have owned a car at
all.
For both of 'em lacked attire.
Magistrate (to prisoner): "How
big was the brick you threw? Was
it as big as my head?"
Prisoner: "Yes, your honor; but
not so thick."

For \$200 . . .
Can you equal this?

For \$200 invested yearly, a young man can
capitalize his youthful vigour and effectively
prepare for life's contingencies through the
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2. IN A FEW
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up Assurance,
earning Divi-
dends.
- or
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LIFE—
\$10,000 in Cash.

The above policy, like all Sun Life policies, can on maturity be paid in
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For further particulars, fill in and mail the attached coupon—

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA,
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I am interested in your \$200 yearly assurance plan. Without
obligation on my part, please send me particulars as outlined in
your advertisement in _____ (Name of paper)

Name (Mr., Mrs. or Miss) _____
Address (Street) _____ (City) _____

Canada's Markets Abroad

The securing of markets abroad for the products of Canada, whether those products be in the form of foodstuffs, raw materials, semi-manufactured or fully manufactured articles, is one of the biggest tasks confronting not only the Federal Government, but farmers, producers, manufacturers, individually and collectively. It is safe to say that the Government of Canada, quite apart from the fact whether it be, for the time being, administered under Liberal or Conservative auspices, is sincerely anxious to develop existing markets and to secure an entry into new ones.

The task is a difficult one at all times, and particularly so just now in view of existing world economic conditions. Yet because of these very conditions it is all the more imperative that the maximum effort be put forth.

Canada is a young country, with, considering its vast extent of territory and variety of resources, a comparatively small population. As a result, in almost every line of activity and industry, this Dominion is not only capable of producing, but is actually producing, an enormous surplus over and above what our own people require or can purchase and consume. The domestic market alone cannot, therefore, keep the people of Canada busy and make them and their country prosperous. Canada must have foreign markets in which to sell, and those markets must be continuously developed in order that the steadily expanding production of the Dominion may be profitably sold.

This situation for Canada is no new thing and has been engaging the attention of Governments at Ottawa for many years. It will be of interest to people generally to know how energetically and effectively the work of securing and developing markets for Canada in other lands all over the world is being prosecuted, through the offices of trade commissioners.

These Canadian trade commissioners abroad are credited with being largely responsible for the phenomenal development of the Dominion's foreign trade within the past decade.

During last year the field staff obtained millions of dollars' worth of new business, arranged for 604 new agencies and submitted 4,245 reports to Canadian firms—without cost to the exporters concerned.

Canadian trade offices are in strategic centres throughout the world. At present there are thirty-two posts, each administered by a Trade Commissioner, and in addition there are fifteen assistants, while eight juniors are in training in Ottawa for future work abroad. All but three of the fifty-odd Trade Commissioners, assistants and juniors are graduates of Canadian universities, and the Trade Commissioner service is regarded as offering splendid opportunities for young Canadians with university training in arts, commerce, science and economics. The Trade Commissioners are sent abroad for a period of from two to four years, depending upon the climate in which the post is situated. They then return to Canada for an extensive tour of the Dominion. During this tour they visit the principal cities of the Dominion, interviewing Canadian exporters and any one else who may desire first-hand information on the territory covered by the Trade Commissioner. In this way they maintain personal touch with Canadian business men and keep thoroughly familiar with their country's industrial progress.

While the work of Trade Commissioners is primarily concerned with the development of Canadian export trade, they are called upon at times to do work that is done for other countries by Ambassadors, Consuls and Commercial Attaches.

Unusual Problem For League

May Have To Settle Dispute Over Band Instruments

Possibility is looming that the League of Nations may have to settle a dispute over instruments of the Smithborough, Ireland, band. The British Customs authorities have seized the pieces after they had been sent to the parish priest of Roslone, County Fermanagh. This was a sequel to the evidence given in a case heard at Monaghan, from which it appeared that the members of the Smithborough band had a dispute, and the instruments were taken to the parish priest's home. Part of the parish is in the Free State and part in Northern Ireland. The trustees undertook to take the instruments back to Smithborough and pay the customs duty, but the British customs authorities have them now, and are demanding duty on them, as well as a penalty for taking them into Northern Ireland by an unauthorized route.

Cheap Transportation Method

Washington Farmers Use Pipe Line For Transferring Wheat To Market

Instead of hauling wheat eighteen miles over rough roads, several grain growers in the state of Washington send it from farm to railroad by pipe line. The grain slides through a one-inch galvanized iron pipe direct to the railroad station where sacking is done for some consignments, while in other instances wheat is run from the pipe directly into freight cars. Hauling costs about fifteen cents a bushel and the pipe-line method less than two cents—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Ancient Pottery Found

Particles of pottery, arrow heads, shells, grinding stones and rocks of unusual formation have been found in an ancient mound on the banks of Cache Creek, near Lawton, Oklahoma. Practically every rock found appeared as if it had been in a fire. Edges of the stones are unusually sharp. Near the mound bones of some prehistoric animals were found recently.

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Minard's is unequalled. It swiftly ends the painful throbbing and leaves you troubled and relieved.



W. N. U. 1869

Sees Capital and Labor As Allies

Contention and Strife Must Disappear

Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, in an address at Philadelphia, Pa., said that future contact between Capital and Labor and between employers and employees will find its greatest progress and finest expression in what he described as the era of "The Partners."

Sir Henry Thornton spoke before the Franklin Institute in a lecture on "man and industry." "Labor merits its right to partnership," said Sir Henry, "and sanguine capital will welcome such a partnership with a recognition of the partnership principle. There automatically must disappear that contention and strife which is just as expensive in the industrial world as it is in the relations between nations."

In the day to come, those industries will prosper most which accept labor as equal partner, and Labor will best prosper when it recognizes the obligations and the dignity of that partnership.

Women and Cigarettes

National Crusade Against Women Smokers Launched At Boston

A national crusade to save women from the alleged social, moral and physiological poisons latent in tobacco was launched recently at Boston. Aghast at the growing popularity of the cigarette a group here has organized the "Anti-Smoking League for Women."

"Moral suasion" will be the first weapon of the league, according to Mrs. Robert P. Williams, president, but when and if that fails, laws will be sought to prevent women from smoking cigarettes. Pipes and cigars were not mentioned in the League's platform.

Men will be invited to join, Mrs. Williams announced. She admitted that there was slight chance of an immediate ban on cigarette smoking, but she had hopes. "We aim to reform the minds of these young girls and young women, especially young mothers, who are smoking cigarettes," she explained.

Some Strange Offerings

Among the offerings displayed on a table in front of the pulpit of Hyde parish church, Winchester, England, during the annual harvest festival, were a bottle of whiskey, a bottle of beer, and five kippers. Other gifts were a chicken, a duck, joints of pork and mutton, a lobster, a lump of coal, kindling wood, hops, milk, a bottle of mineral water and a jug of water.

"Fight the good fight with all thy might" was one of the hymns sung at a wedding at Twickenham, England, recently.

WAR HERO AND FIANCEE



Commander E. Yvon Berthon, D.S.O., of the Royal Navy, who served on H.M.S. Sirius, one of the block ships in the Zeppelins blockade during the great war, with his fiancée, Miss Doris Marjorie Browne, of Wimbledon, England.—Copyright, 1920, by Pacific and Atlantic Photos, Inc.

An Unusual Court Action

London Girl Suing Movie Houses For Holding Sunday Performances

London, England, is wondering just what motives to ascribe to Miss Millie Arpen, bobbed haired girl of 23, who, assuming the role of "common informer," has filed legal actions which may net her a large sum of money.

The actions are writs claiming damages of more than \$100,000 from film corporations and movie houses on alleged infringements of a law of 1781 forbidding Sunday performances and recently sustained by a ruling of three high court judges.

Under British law a "common informer" may receive a part of the whole of penalties accruing to the government as a consequence of the information given, and, subject to certain restrictions, it would appear that this status would hold for Miss Arpen.

Although there has been considerable agitation to close the Sunday movie houses by the Sabbath Observance League, the young woman, who works daily in London, told interviewers that she was playing a lone hand, and was not backed by any organization.

The role of a "common informer" is unusual in Great Britain in this day and time, but it has an ancient standing in British law, having been regularized as long ago as the reign of Henry VII.

Linking Canada-U.S. Air Mail

Planes Will Operate Daily Between Winnipeg and Minneapolis

Agreement has been reached between the postal departments of Canada and the United States, whereby contact between the air mail services of both countries will be linked between Winnipeg and Minneapolis. The details of the agreement are: Air mail will be flown from Winnipeg to Pembina daily by the new Canadian Airways Ltd. At that point, which is on the international boundary, the mail will be picked up by the United States Air Mail service and flown to Fargo and Minneapolis.

The agreement irons out a difficult point between the air mail authorities in the two countries. The United States really desired to fly the Winnipeg route going and coming, but the Ottawa department insisted that Canadian planes be used for the Canadian end of the service.

The linking up of the two air mail services will open to Western Canada the whole air mail system on the southern section of the continent and also the services to South America which link up with the United States air mail.

Simple and Sure.—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is so simple in application that a child can understand the instructions. Use as a liniment the only direction is to rub, and when used as a dressing to apply. The directions are so plain and understandable that they are readily understood by young or old.

Cause and Effect

It is claimed that a better automobile can now be bought for half the price of a few years ago; while the cost of building the average small house increased about 25 per cent. between 1921 and 1923. This may explain the complaint of the realtor that people fairly live in their cars.

Eels are hatched at sea and after they have adventured inland along streams and rivers they return to the sea to die.

The color orange is frequently used in marking trails because it can be seen well against the snow.

Scientists Make New Discovery

Believe Alaskan Plant Is Pioneer Of All Vegetable Life

The "liverwort," a small delicate plant found growing in Alaskan lava beds, has been advanced by science as the possible pioneer of all vegetable life.

Striving to solve the riddle of the start of vegetation on the earth's crust in the dim past, an expedition of the National Geographic Society explored the lava wastes of the Alaskan Peninsula last summer and found the liverworts were thriving where no other plant life could survive.

The preliminary report of the expedition, headed by Dr. Robert F. Griggs, botanist, says the lava areas, created 15 years ago during the first eruption of Katmai volcano, were barren of soil, and there was no apparent trace of nitrogen, necessary for plant growth.

Where the liverworts have been established long enough to decay and form beginnings of soil, however, other plants were starting, said Griggs.

Started In Hard Luck

Series Of Accidents Marred Wedding In New Jersey

Several things happened before during and after the wedding at Phillipsburg, New Jersey, of Mr. and Mrs. William Koch. They were approximately as follows:

The bridegroom's father fell ill and could not attend.

The flower girl fell from a piano stool and broke her arm.

The bride's mother fell down a flight of steps, receiving severe bruises.

A party of friends drove ahead of the bridal automobile and stopped quickly. There was a collision.

A passing motorist stopped to inquire if his aid was needed. As he stepped from his automobile a fourth car hit him and knocked him down.

Mr. and Mrs. Koch had planned to go to Niagara Falls. They changed their plans and headed for Wilmington, Delaware.

Visitors From Britain

Many British and European Tourists Are Expected To Visit Canada

Within the next two years visits to Canada of British and European tourists, commercial and industrial men will be increased in number and enhanced in importance as a result of the dominating place taken by Canada recently on the European stage of world events. It was stated by William Baird, steamship passenger traffic manager for the Canadian Pacific Railway, who returned on the steamer "Duchess of Richmond," which arrived from Liverpool, England.

Improved Quality Of Sheep Increasing recognition of the value of improving quality in sheep has led to 4,000 rams being graded in Canada this year. At the office of Hon. Robert Weir, Minister of Agriculture, it was announced that official lists of pure-bred rams are available and may be obtained from sheep promoters of the Dominion livestock branch.

Unless worms be expelled from the system, no child can be healthy. Mother's Own Worm Expeller is an excellent medicine to destroy worms.

"Let me prove to you that advertising brings results!" "I know," groaned the manufacturer. "Yesterday I advertised for a night watchman—last night by shop was broken into."

Minard's Liniment For Frost Bite.

Felt Tired Out All Day

Could Not Sleep at Night

Mrs. Aldamond Lalonde, 2481 St. James St., Montreal, Que., writes:—"After a spell of the grippe I was left very nervous, and felt drowsy and tired out all day, and could not sleep at night. I was also troubled with my heart and did not get at all like working. I was told about Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and after taking four boxes I was completely relieved of my trouble, and can recommend your Pills to everyone."

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Price 50c a box

Canadian Copper

Production Of Refined Copper Greater Than Domestic Demand

The proposal in Washington that a duty be levied on refined copper brings out the fact that Canada shortly will be producing more of this product than she requires for her own use. For many years the Dominion brought practically all its refined copper from United States. One of the complaints often made was that blister copper from Canadian mines went to United States where it was refined and returned in a much more expensive state for use here.

With the new plant at Copper Cliff which opened last July and the one erected by the Noranda and other interests in Quebec, the Dominion will be a considerable exporter of refined copper if these plants, as well as the one at Trail, B.C., all operate at capacity. It is estimated Canada uses 50,000 tons of copper a year. The total production of which the plants would be capable would be in the neighborhood of 200,000 tons.

At present there is a bounty of one-half cent a pound paid by the Dominion Government on copper refined in Canada from Canadian ore and used in Canadian manufacture. There is also a tariff against certain types of bar metals.

Dubs Trial A Farce

Believes Confession Of Russian Engineers Was Staged For Effect

A belief that Leonid Ramin, Russian engineer, whose death sentence was commuted after his conviction with seven others on accusations of plotting against the Soviet regime, is innocent of the charges against him was voiced by H. W. Brooks, of New York, consulting engineer and friend of Ramin.

Brooks, who was in Europe with Ramin, while the Russian engineer allegedly negotiated with groups hostile to the Soviet government, declared he saw "never a sign of a plot."

The confession Ramin made accusing himself of sabotage and of plotting the overthrow of the Soviet Government, as well as the other proceedings at the trial of the eight engineers, was termed the "most naive piece of propaganda I ever encountered," by Brooks. He further declared the confession was arranged by the OGPU, Soviet secret police, as part of a "revolving farce" to strengthen the position of the Stalin dictatorship.

If the world's acreage of rubber could be stretched in a band around the equator it would make a belt almost half a mile wide.

Costly Wedding Gift For Noted Aviator

Kingston-Smith Receives Silver Cutlery Service From Oakland, California

Among the costly presents for the wedding of Wing Commander Charles Kingston-Smith and Miss Mary Fowell, which occurred at Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 10, is a solid silver cutlery service in beautiful cabinet of bird's eye maple, presented by residents of Oakland, California.

It was at Oakland that the famous aviator began his circumnavigation of the globe and trans-Pacific flights, and ended the flight around the world after crossing the Atlantic.

Shipments From Flin Flon

Manitoba Zinc and Copper Being Exported In Large Quantities

Shipments of blister copper and zinc have been coming through steadily from the Flin Flon smelter operations were commenced in the new smelter there in November, according to T. P. White, superintendent of car service of the Canadian National Railway, who reported that since November 15th, there have been nineteen cars shipped.

It is evident that much of this Manitoba zinc and copper is being exported as 13 of the cars have been billed to the Canadian airports, Halifax and St. John. Four cars have been shipped to New York and two more to Toronto.

Asthma Cannot Last when the greatest of all asthma specifics is used. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy assuredly deserves this accolade. It has to its credit thousands of cases which other preparations and failed to benefit. It brings help to even the most severe cases and brings the patient to a condition of blessed relief. Surely asthma from asthma is needless when a remedy like this is so easily secured.

Still Writing War Books Predictions made last spring that the stream of books written about the World War had reached high-water mark and was likely to abate, have not been realized in Europe.

This winter shows that writers of various nationalities are turning them out as fast as ever. The British War Library has now received 60,000 volumes, an average of nearly 14 a day since the armistice.

Minard's Liniment aids Sore Feet.

Increase In Air Travel Passenger travel by air between London and Paris has increased from 715 in 1919 to 22,245 in 1920. More than 30,000 passengers are expected to be carried by commercial airplanes over this route during 1920.

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BIG REDUCTION IS NOTED IN OUR WHEAT STOCKS

Ottawa, Ont.—Canada's wheat stocks are gradually getting down near the totals of last year at this time. When the crop season opened on August 1, there was 112,000,000 bushels of a carry-over. Added to this was the new crop estimated at 386,000,000 bushels. This was figured to indicate an exportable surplus of 110,000,000 bushels more than in 1929 or about 386,000,000 bushels which could be exported. This was exclusive of wheat used for home consumption, seed, feed, etc. At the end of November last, however, owing to the increased clearances, the export supplies were only 50,000,000 bushels higher, and amounted to about 278,000,000 bushels. This does not include wheat held in the United States.

The above figures were included in an official summary of the bureau of statistics issued recently on the wheat situation. It adds that the 278,000,000 bushels surplus is not unreasonably high for this season of the year, considering that the five year average exports of the last eight months of the crop year—December 1 to July 31—amount to 187,435,223 and the average carry-over in Canada at the end of each July for the past five years was 76,000,000 bushels.

Other high lights of the report were: The shipments of wheat from producing to consuming countries of the world decreased gradually during November last due mainly to the reduced clearances from Soviet Russia and the United States. Shipments from Canada were fairly well maintained. World production outside of Russia and China is about four or five per cent greater than it was last year and the surplus in exporting countries is larger. The import demand up to date, however, would indicate that consumption will increase relatively more than production.

The carry-over of old wheat in the Southern Hemisphere was of insignificant amount and North America's visible supplies are lower than they were last year.

The Russian crop is one of the largest in history and exports from this country have been maintained at a surprising fashion up to a total of 65,439,000 bushels on December 11. Many observers of the European situation look for important increases in demand for wheat during 1931, but there are some misgivings because of the great increases in stocks of Russian wheat during November in those countries where trade is relatively free. Notable examples are the United Kingdom, Italy and Holland.

With respect to the Southern Hemisphere it is now believed the 215,000,000 bushel official estimate was too high owing to damage by winter. The Argentine crop has also not met such a favorable season, but the information as to its extent is not overly reliable.

During the past month the competition of the United States with Canada on the world wheat market has gradually receded and United States wheat is now in a position to face the world situation at the present time. The government-sponsored agencies have kept the prices of cash wheat and the early futures well above world prices.

B.C. Leads In Apple Output

Ottawa, Ont.—British Columbia led all the provinces in value of apple production, according to an estimate made recently by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The apple crop and values in the three important producing provinces follow: Nova Scotia, 1,000,000 barrels, \$2,750,000; Ontario, 526,000 barrels, \$1,853,000; British Columbia, 4,322,000 boxes, \$5,403,000.

Takes New Post In January

Kemptville, Ont.—Hon. Howard G. Ferguson, former premier of Ontario, will proceed to London, England, to assume his duties as Canadian high commissioner about the middle of January in all likelihood. That is Mr. Ferguson's present intention, expressed to the Canadian Press.

Have No Workless

Boston, Mass.—There are at least 65 towns in Massachusetts which need no unemployment committee or advice on how to handle the unemployment situation. They have no one out of work, they reported to the Massachusetts emergency unemployment committee.

Yugoslavia plans to extend its telephone system to cover the country.

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Study Of Economic Conditions Suggested

Research Council May Be Asked To Make Work Survey

Ottawa, Ont.—The suggestion that a committee of the National Research Council study national and international aspects of matters having a bearing on prevailing economic conditions was held out by Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. In an address to Ottawa service clubs, the Labor Union leader remarked that the Dominion is without a co-ordinated authority of this sort. In this regard, it was important that the country keep abreast of the times.

Premier Coming West

Expects To Be In Calgary By New Year's Day

Ottawa, Ont.—Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett will probably spend Christmas in the east and New Year's in the west. Somewhere between these days, possibly at the end of the month time to be in Calgary on New Year's, the prime minister may speak in Regina.

For years, Premier Bennett has visited his old home and relatives in his native province of New Brunswick, on Christmas, and he will probably do so again in the coming season. On New Year's he will likely be in his western home.

Shipping Fish By Air

New Venture In Northern Saskatchewan Has Been Inaugurated

Prince Albert, Sask.—Still "kicking," 600 pounds of whitefish, freshly caught at Lac La Ronge, were landed here by aeroplane in less than two hours after setting by the Bulb plane of the Brooks Transportation and Construction Company. This has inaugurated the new fishing venture in northern Saskatchewan. Immediately the cargo was unloaded, Capt. "Bulb" Broach took off for another load of 1,500 pounds more. The fresh catches are consigned to markets in eastern Canada and in the United States.

Control Of Labor

Soviets To Tighten Up Laws Governing Employment

Moscow, Russia.—Strict control of labor within the U.S.S.R. was announced by the Central Executive committee of the Union in a decree published here.

During the third year of the five year plan, continuing by the decree there will be no changing of jobs by workers, technicians and others except with the formal permission of the authorities. Salaries and wages for each particular job will be the same throughout the nation, thereby eliminating all competition for labor, which was marked last year.

Governments Plan Reward For Aviator

Heroism Of Pilot Wasson Will Be Recognized

Victoria, B.C.—The provincial government in co-operation with the Federal Government, will recognize in tangible form the heroism of Pilot Everett L. Wasson, who recently rescued two members of the lost Burke party in Northern British Columbia. It was stated here. A joint special grant will be made to Joe Walsh, the prospector who assisted Mr. Wasson in his rescue work.

Unscrupulous Advertising

Toronto, Ont.—A recommendation that the police department have a man solely for the purpose of scrutinizing all advertisements, and to follow up any that look suspicious, owing to the number of cases of young people being swindled out of their savings by unscrupulous advertisements in the daily press is contained in the presentation of the grand jury in general sessions made to Judge Widdifield.

Salmon Treaty May Fall

Seattle, Wash.—Sponsors of the international sockeye salmon treaty between the United States and Canada, headed by E. A. Sims, Port Townsend, forecast its failure. The treaty is dead, so there is no reason now why it should be discussed," said Sims. Sims is a former member of the State Fisheries Board.

Seize Liquor Boat

Providence, R.I.—The British oil screw boat "Maskinonge," registered at St. George, Newfoundland, was captured by a coast guard patrol boat, Tuesday, December 16, with a cargo of liquor off Sakonnet Point, coast guard officials reported.

Fog Causes Alarm

Population Of Liege Fearful Of Repetition Of Mysterious Epidemic

Liege, Belgium.—Population of the Liege district became highly alarmed at the appearance of a dense fog, fearing a recurrence of the recent mysterious epidemic which killed more than three-score persons.

Many families of Engis, Jemeppe, Ougree and Seraing prepared to move from the valley to the neighboring heights, and those suffering from asthma and other respiratory afflictions hurried especially to evacuate the lower places.

They were all the more anxious to leave since the news spread that post mortem examinations of the previous victims and scientific investigations of the tragedy had not been able to fix definite blame for the deaths.

Spurred by the reappearance of danger, the government rushed the appointment of a special commission which had been decided upon at the recent cabinet meeting.

One reason for fear is the fact that many persons have not recovered from the previous attack. At Engis alone, nearly 100 persons still are under medical attention.

HEPBURN TO LEAD ONTARIO LIBERAL PARTY

Toronto, Ont.—Mitchell Frederick Hepburn, member of the House of Commons for Elgin West, was elected leader of the Liberal party in Ontario.

Only one ballot was necessary in the straight contest between Mr. Hepburn and Elmore Philpott, Toronto newspaperman. Although the results of the division was not announced, it was understood Mr. Hepburn received 427 votes and Mr. Philpott, 97. There were 607 delegates at the convention.

Six names were put forward when nominations were asked for at the opening, but the contest quickly narrowed down to a straight fight between the aggressive Western Ontario parliamentarians and Philpott. W. K. Murphy, K.C., and Arthur W. Roebuck, well-known Toronto lawyers, and Hon. Peter Heston, former Minister of Labor, quickly withdrew. They were followed by W. E. N. Sinclair, K.C., of Oshawa, for more than seven years House leader of the party in the legislature, who declared he wanted to give the other fellow a chance. "In withdrawing," Mr. Sinclair eulogized the two men still in the running.

The new leader said he had no immediate statement to make regarding leaving the federal field. He was unable to say whether he would continue to represent West Elgin in the House of Commons until a provincial general election is held or whether he could content a by-election.

From other sources, and quite reliable, it was learned the chances were Mr. Hepburn would maintain a remote control over the Liberal members of the legislature and continue in the federal field for possibly one or two sessions.

Selection of a federal member as provincial chief will necessitate the appointment of a House leader in the legislature, and it is quite probable Mr. Sinclair will continue this role.

Canadian Appear For Belgium

Halifax, Nova Scotia.—The largest apple shipment yet forwarded from Nova Scotia to the European continent is on its way, consisting of 18,000 barrels destined for Antwerp, Belgium.



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Lord Gorell, son of famous English divorce court judge, poet, barrister, soldier and journalist, and colorful figure in British politics, whose name has been mentioned as successor to Lord Irwin, viceroy of India.

Gold Production Higher

Figures Show Canadian Output Made New Record

Ottawa, Ont.—Gold production in Canada reached a new monthly record for all time in October last, when the total output amounted to 186,370 ounces, according to figures compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The bureau's monthly review shows all branches of the Canadian mining industry maintaining high levels of production with the output of the 15 mineral products showing advances after October, 1929.

SPANISH REVOLT IS BEING KEPT WELL IN HAND

Madrid, Spain.—Widespread strikes with half-a-million men out and repeated riots continued in many parts of Spain; but the attempt to overthrow the monarchy seemed decisively crushed, at least for the time being.

King Alfonso XIII continued to dominate the situation, keeping in constant touch with distant cities by telephone and conferring at length with his cabinet ministers. His right-hand man, Premier Damazo Berenguer, was put to bed with a severe case of tonsillitis, but his doctors said he would recover with a bit of rest.

Throughout the kingdom the civil authorities had surrendered their powers under martial law and troops were in charge at strategic points. The Foreign Legion came into several cities and the tumultuous cheers with which the people received them was interpreted as an indication that the man in the street is tired of the disorders of the past few weeks.

The artillery held Barcelona, four men were killed in a street fight at Oviedo, and mobs clashed with the soldiers at Santander, Valencia, Alicante, Isla Cristina, and Huelva, where dock workers refused to unload a fishing smack and its cargo was thrown overboard. There were strikes also at Bilbao and San Sebastian, but both these towns seemed to be calm with the army in control.

The jails are full and batches of prisoners have been locked up in the motion picture houses which have had no audiences for days. It was expected that most of the prisoners would be turned loose soon and that leaders in the unsuccessful revolt would receive nothing heavier than prison sentences from the courts martial which were in session.

Delegation Waits On Postmaster-General

Mail Carriers Ask For Improvements In Their Routine

Ottawa, Ont.—Representing the Federated Association of Letter Carriers of Canada, a delegation waited on Hon. Arthur S. Sifton, postmaster-general, to press for improvements in the routine of the mail carriers.

Mr. Sifton promised careful consideration of the requests of the delegation, including the following: Holidays between May and October; rather than in the winter months; increases and improvements in pensions; payment for overtime work and elimination of deliveries on civic holidays; limitation of the weight of the mail carrier's bag to 35 pounds when he leaves the post office; and regulations concerning magazines and newspapers in the mail and the disposal of undressed letters.

Charge Is Dismissed

Judge Lindsey Is Rebuked By Magistrate As Case Is Closed

New York, N.Y.—Charges against former Judge Ben H. Lindsey of Denver, growing out of his demand for a hearing during services in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine two Sundays ago, faded among the shadows of legal technicalities here.

Magistrate August Dreyer, upholding a denunciation of Arthur Garfield Hays that the original disorderly conduct complaint against his client was defective, ordered a new complaint drawn. He called several times for somebody to step forward and sign it.

Nobody did. Then after rebuking Lindsey for the act which the magistrate said everybody knew about, he slapped his hand upon the bench and announced: "This case is closed."

LABOR PARTY ESCAPES DEFEAT BY SIX VOTES

London, England.—By the narrow majority of only six votes, Premier Ramsay MacDonald's ministry survived a division in the House of Commons.

The vote came on an amendment inserted by the House of Lords in the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill which proposed prolongation of the Dye-stuffs Act for another year. The government was anxious to abolish this act upon its normal expiration next month and therefore urged the Commons to reject the Lords' amendment.

By a vote of 244 to 238 the House of Commons did so and the Expiring Laws Bill thus returns to the House of Lords for further consideration.

The fact that the Government was so nearly defeated was largely due to the absence of its usual Liberal support. Analysis of the balloting showed that the Liberals, who hold the balance of power and generally vote with the Government, were diverted into three camps—some voting with the government, some against it and some abstaining.

Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George, Liberal chief, was not in the House when the division was called. About 12 Conservatives were neither in the House nor were paired for the division. Had this party polled its full strength the MacDonald government would have been defeated.

In well-informed circles it was believed that the Lords, specially since the encouragement they received from the narrowness of the government's majority, would insist on their amendment. In that case the government would either have to bow to their wishes, which was considered unlikely, or to run the risk of another division, which might well be even closer than the first.

An alternative would be for the government to throw overboard the whole Expiring Laws Bill. Here Mr. MacDonald is in a difficult position, because the passage of this bill is necessary to secure the continuance of various measures, including the Rent Restrictions Act, which the government is most anxious to preserve.

The situation has thus become one of the most complicated which has arisen in British politics for a long time, not only because it contains the possibilities of unexpected developments from the point of view of party politics but because it may also bring up the old issue of precedence between the House of Lords and the House of Commons in an acute form.

PLAN MEETING OF PREMIERS AT REGINA, DEC. 30

Winnipeg, Man.—Prairie premiers are planning a conference with Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, prime minister of Canada, when he arrives in Regina, December 30, to address a public meeting. The premiers of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba hope to place their problems before Mr. Bennett shortly after Christmas and during his sojourn in the Saskatchewan city.

Premier J. T. M. Anderson of Saskatchewan, on behalf of the Manitoba and Alberta government would, Hon. J. Bennett, prime minister of Canada, when he arrives in Regina, December 30, to address a public meeting. The premiers of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba hope to place their problems before Mr. Bennett shortly after Christmas and during his sojourn in the Saskatchewan city.

At the Regina meeting Prime Minister Bennett, it is expected, will make his eagerly awaited announcement as to his plans for wheat markets and prices, the vital factors in the Canadian wheat today. Then the prairie leaders hope to place before Mr. Bennett their troubles arising out of the decline in wheat values and the condition of the farmers as a result of the grain situation.

The Federal Government was urged at a meeting in Ottawa between the cabinet and the Western leaders to stabilize the price of wheat. Various agrarian associations in the prairie provinces favored stabilization of wheat at prices ranging from 70 cents to \$1.00, basis No. 1 Northern, Fort William.

Agricultural authorities state that if wheat values are stabilized at 70 cents per bushel the Federal Government would be required to appropriate \$37,000,000.

Advocates Hog Raising

Says Raising Of Hogs Will Save Situation In The West

Winnipeg, Man.—"The hog will save the situation in the west, just as it did in Ontario in the early eighties," Joseph Harris, general manager of the Harris Abattoir (Western), Ltd., remarked recently in an interview. Farmers are rushing to get into the hog business he added.

Admitting that with greater production, hog prices will fall, Mr. Harris said there never had been a time when the ratio between the cost of coarse grain and the price of hogs did not leave room for a profit to the farmer. In his opinion, the logical source of pork supply for Great Britain.

Talk Of Secession

Acute Economic Situation Is Responsible, Says Bracken

Winnipeg, Man.—Fear that further demands for secession of the west from the Dominion may be heard before present problems are solved was expressed by Premier John Bracken of Manitoba.

"It is to be regretted that conditions are such in many parts that people feel they have justification for such requests," said Mr. Bracken, referring to a resolution passed by a farm body at Wilkie, Sask., favoring secession unless agrarian relief is accorded. "But I fear there will be more demands of this nature before our present problems are solved."

Grain Marketings Increase

C.N.R. Show Highly Satisfactory Increase Over Figures For 1929

Winnipeg, Man.—Grain marketing along the lines of the Canadian National Railways show a highly satisfactory increase over the figures of 1929, according to a statement issued by T. P. White, superintendent of car service. This year 122,972,000 bushels have been marketed since August 1, while over the same period in 1929 only 94,504,000 bushels were marketed. An increase of more than 28,000,000 bushels is noted.

Prince Albert Wants Senator

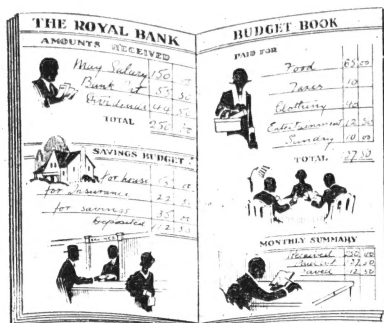
Prince Albert—Conservative workers of Prince Albert constituency have decided to petition Premier R. B. Bennett requesting that the present Saskatchewan vacancy in the Senate be filled by a man from this constituency. No name was suggested in the resolution.

May Represent Canada

Ottawa, Ont.—Hon. H. H. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce, may be Canada's representative at the Buenos Aires exposition, which will be opened by the Prince of Wales on March 14 next.

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Capt. Ernest Lloyd Jannet, with known throughout Southern Alberta. Only a few of the many people because of his famous hunger strike who have admired the magnificent in Lethbridge jail a few years ago, now passenger conductors of the Canis now undergoing similar self-punishment. Greyhound Lines are aware the shipment in the provinces of an Ontario they are completely out in Canada in county jail, he having been found to be the truck and coach division of equality of false pretences and refusal. General Motors Products of Canada, to eat.

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Local and General Items

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The first English collection of Christmas cards was published in 1521.

The Enterprise will be published on Friday, instead of Thursday, next week.

FUN FOR ALL, New Years Eve. Blairmore opera house. Elks' seventh annual dance.

Arthur Hadwell is a hospital patient, suffering from injuries received while tobogganing.

CYCLAMEN, PRIMULAS, ETC. — SCOTT'S GROCERY.

THE DANCE of The Season. Elks' seventh annual dance, New Years Eve. Blairmore opera house.

The province of Alberta would undertake to meet \$900,000 of the cost of a continent-wide telephone system.

A girl named Fish is employed in an Alberta drug store, which is a desirable place for tackle, but not for fish.

We were told a few days ago that John Aschacher "drowned" a bull, frog, alive and with boots and clothes on.

Christmas is the day of days which declares the universal consciousness that Peace on Earth comes on, from Good Will to Men.

Did you hear that Smith failed to pass his examination for a driver's license, because his wife had an impediment in her speech.

Lord Willingdon, former governor-general of Canada, has been chosen to succeed Lord Irwin as Viceroy and Governor-General of India.

Then there is the Scotch mother who waits for a hot day before he will buy gas, as he has heard that things expand with the heat.

Red Thompson and Roland Palmer, came down from Edmonton over the week end, to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Mr. S. P. Bartlett, of Stabey, stopped off here on Friday last, to visit friends. He continued on to Calgary on Saturday, where he will spend the winter.

A local Seedy fainted the other day, and it required four men to restore him, following his wife's remark that she had bought a car that he could present to her at Christmas.

What is believed to be the fastest wardship in the world has just completed her trials for the British navy, reaching a speed of forty knots an hour, without pressing her machinery in any way.

Motorists are wondering how they are now to make connection with Nelson from Kootenay Landing, since the road via Kuskanook is not completed and the possibility is that the steamship service via the lakes will be discontinued.

A British vessel out of Newfoundland has been brought into the port of New York with a liquor cargo estimated to be worth \$200,000. U. S. people are craving so for liquor that they will even venture out on the high seas for it.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a genuine Scotch calendar from a Medicine Hat friend. The calendar is good for the years 1930, 1931 and 1932, but was not released till only fourteen days of 1930 were left, and we presume the donor made use of his purchase for the eleven months and a half, and then decided it would be cheaper to give it away than to wipe the dust from it.

WANTED To Rent Piano. Enquire at The Enterprise Office.

Hon. H. H. Stevens, minister of trade and commerce, was a visitor to Fernie on Monday.

Miss Lena Fraser is down from Calgary to spend the Christmas holiday with her mother and brother.

The Literary Digest asks: "What is the best preventative of suicide?" We would suggest: "Go to Chicago."

Misses Mabel Thompson and Jean Greig are home from Vancouver and Edmonton for the Christmas vacation.

Oddfellows and Rebekahs will celebrate the birthday of Thomas Wilby, founder of the order, on January 1st.

A thief or thieves broke into the government vendor's store at Drumheller and got away with twelve bottles of the best brand of liquor. No doubt, they were given to this rash act through "starvation."

"Well, Johnny, do you think your teacher likes you?" asked a mother of her little son.

"I think so, mummy," he replied, "for she marked a big kiss on my arithmetic lesson."

An exchange remarks that H. H. Hall's claim that so many suicides are taking place because of the drink traffic, is supported by the fact that a crazy nut drank poison and stepped into a licensed beer parlor to die. Now, the beer parlor is blamed for this wiping out of a precious life.

A Scotchman told us this one: A Jew and a Scotch operated picture shows in Edinburgh. The Jew played a sign outside his theatre which read: "People of 50 years and over admitted free." The Scotchman, not to be outdone in dressing up his business, placed a sign outside his show, which read: "People 50 years and over admitted free—if accompanied by their parents!"

The 1930-31 lineup of the Blairmore team shows that only four players are left to the Bears who were good enough to win the provincial senior championship last winter. Hockey players appear to develop in Blairmore very rapidly, and with Walter Scott, the "Al Ritchie" of hockey, coaching, you can rest assured that the Crow town team will be heard from again this winter. — Calgary Albertan.

VILLAGE BUILT ON SALT

One of the most remarkable phenomena of nature in Mexico is to be made accessible to automobile tourists by the construction of a highway from Toluca to Yztapan de la Sal. Yztapan is a primitive community having a population of about 1,000 Indians and is constructed on a great surface bed of salt. The people still maintain a custom that has been handed down through generations. They use salt instead of money as a medium of exchange on Sundays. Just outside Yztapan is a natural salt bridge across a creek. It is a mass of solid salt, with drippings hanging like icicles from its sides and is so strongly formed that cattle pass over it with perfect safety.

"SATURATION POINT" FAR AWAY

According to a recent survey, there are 32,000,000 drivers in the United States as compared with the last motor vehicles registration of 26,500,000. The drivers exceed motor vehicles registration by 5,000,000. This fact reveals that a great reservoir of automobile buyers still exists and that the much discussed saturation point is far away. The same is even more apparent in Canada, according to observers.

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Christmas in Jerusalem

THE war years found us in odd places. In the mud of Flanders we fancied we heard the Christmas chimes, and dreamt of fire-side and festive fare. The burning sun of the desert scorched us, and made us wish for the snow-covered pastures of old England, or even the murk of a London fog. Back through the years floats a recollection of the land that saw the shepherds follow the guiding star that led them to Bethlehem. It was Christmas in Jerusalem. The night was heavy and threatening. In the old city, guarded by its massive walls, very little was stirring. All day long ceaseless batter had been going on in the arcades. Cold though the weather was, the biting wind that had prevailed all through the day, would appear to have lost itself in its narrow byways, and, giving it up as a bad job, gone out into the wider world to blow to its heart's content, for, here, the somnolent atmosphere of antiquity prevailed untroubled by the winter blasts. A weird place to ramble in the darkness of a Christmas night. A wonderful place in which to conjure strange images. That figure that slides away into the darkness down through the ancient passage called Via Dolorosa, where Christ carried His Cross amid the jeers of the soldiery, he might be a thousand years old for all the change there is in him. Out of the darkness stumbles an old Jew. He looks as ancient as the very walls around, and equally redolent of the past. Up cobble arcaded lanes one stumbles; the darkness is intense; and then out into a great square where huge cypress trees rise on either hand. The night is more open here, but still dark. Suddenly through a moving wrack of cloud bursts the moon, for seconds only, but, in those seconds, flashes, white in the light, the mighty dome of the Mosque of Omar. For a moment the light rests on the gate where Christ entered the Holy City, while the girls flung flowers in His path, and then all is darkness once again and silence. Silence—except for the guns that have opened out beyond the ramparts. Outside the walls of the old city darkness still reigns supreme; except that the wind and rain are more in evidence, and the thunder of the guns is greater. Few people move in the streets. Now and again comes an anxious enquiry, "Do you think the Turk will come back?" One answers optimistically and the door closes. Moving onward towards your billet, a ruined house on the outskirts, the realization of candles comes to you. Each window boasts a number. They twinkle and sparkle. Every house displays them. Of course—it is Christmas; Christmas in Jerusalem. And so amid the thunder of the guns you sit down and drink to those at home, to friends and enemies wherever they are, a merry Christmas, even though the toast is drunk in stewed tea.

Was It Santa Claus or Cupid?

IT was Christmas Eve—quite the most glorious Christmas Eve Virginia Ray had ever known. Everything was ready for the party—her party—from the "Merry Christmas" place-cards to the splendid Christmas tree that would be ablaze all evening with little lights and colors.



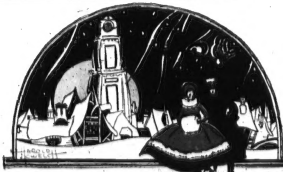
"HERE COMES DADDY!" — A scene enacted in many Canadian homes daily. To these two children Daddy is the one hero. They think of him all day long and talk about him incessantly, and when the time approaches for his return home from his business they are at the window, with smiling faces, and happy indeed is the one who sees him first and cries "Here comes Daddy." The picture is from a photograph.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS from the air—Now we know who sends the snow to us in the early morning of the day of all days. These youthful aviators wear on their faces the unconcerned look, when up in the air, of veterans; yet they are too young to have been long accustomed to high flights. The faded leaves over the boy's shoulders show there is still that on earth which he loves. Taken from life.

Tiny Tim's Carol

GOD bless us every one," prayed Tiny Tim. Crippled and dwarfed in body, yet so tall Of soul, we tiptoe earth to look on him High towering over all. He loved the loveless world, not dreamed, indeed, That it, at best, could give to him the while But pitying glances, when his only need Was but a cheery smile. And thus he prayed, "God bless us every one!" Enfolded all the creeds within the span



Virginia pinned the last red stocking to the mantel, and turned to her mother. "I think it was real mean of George not to offer to play Santa Claus for me," she said. "After his having such a nice costume, too."

"But, dear," her mother answered, "how could he when you quarrelled? I didn't know you had invited him."

"I didn't, but of course I would have, if he had been just the least bit nice." Virginia pouted, and hurried off to get ready to receive her guests. Her mother, busy with last-minute details, smiled in what might have been reminiscences of her own youth. A few minutes later she went to the phone, held a brief conversation, and as she hung up the receiver she called up the stairs: "Hurry, dear, I do believe some of your guests are coming."

"I'll be right down," Virginia's voice preceded its owner by only a second.

"Do I look all right, mother?"

"All right," said Mrs. Ray's voice, and her eyes said, "Lovely," and her heart said, "My own darling!"

Virginia, responding to an urgent "burring" admitted her earliest guests. Half an hour later, when the rooms were filled with merry chattering young people, the orchestra struck up the first dance. Except for their laughing partners to the center of the floor, but Virginia did not dance the first number—she had not invited George. Neither had she invited, as her partner, anyone else.

That dance was over, and another and another. The Christmas tree was admired; the mistletoe was found, and put to its proper use; occasional silences made clear the distant sound of carolers; the clock struck ten—eleven—twelve. At that moment the guests were surprised (and so was Virginia) by the sound of sleighbells, a heavy "Merry Christmas," and the appearance from somewhere near the tree of a jolly Santa as one could imagine. Near beside him stood Mrs. Ray.

"Why, Mr. Santa Claus, I do believe," and then she presented him to the company. "My old childhood friend, Mr. Santa Claus, has come to pay us a visit, and as he is all loaded down with his various gifts, which must be delivered by tomorrow morning, I suggested that he give any of us who are to receive his attentions our presents now."

"I didn't know, Virginia," said Pudgy Clark, the fat and awkward youth who had stepped on Virginia's toes during the last dance. "I didn't know you believed in Santa Claus."

"I don't!" Virginia snapped. "All right," he laughed, "you needn't bite my head off."

The favors distributed, Mrs. Ray called Virginia. "Here, dear, you and Santa lead the grand march. If you will all follow, I think we might find some refreshments in another room."

"Right!" said Santa, in a decidedly unfriendly voice. Somehow, Santa knew just where to go. But then, of course, Santa Claus knows everything. He even knew, a few moments later when Virginia excused herself from the party and slipped back to the other room, now in a state of partial disarray, and (for even the orchestra members were enjoying the repast in the other room) forlorn in its emptiness. Virginia was feeling particularly forlorn and particularly proud.

Santa Claus must know everything, for he knew just how long to wait before he, too, wandered from the merry group and joined Virginia. And he (or was it Cupid?) knew just what to say to make this really the most wonderful Christmas Eve in all Virginia's life. Just what it was, I am not sure, but he must have told Virginia, for presently she said: "I know, I know," and she had cheered up quite a bit before he put his arm around her. Somehow she wasn't so forlorn—nor quite so proud.

After a while they walked over to the tree together, and they listened to the carolers; and then, somehow, they stopped right under the mistletoe! What George said was whispered in her ear, so we shall never know, but Virginia was laughing as she answered him.

"Why, George," she said, "how dare you say I don't believe in Santa Claus?"

Of his child heart, and so, despising none, Was nearer saint than man.

I like to fancy God, in Paradise, Lifting a finger over the rhythmic swing Of chiming harp and song, with eager eyes Turning earthward, listening.

The anthem stilled—the angels leaning there Above the golden walls—the morning sun Of Christmas bursting flower-like with the prayer—"God bless us every one!"

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NOT FOR SALE

The Chicago Tribune would have the United States purchase the West Indies from Britain and make those islands part of the Republic. The British Empire is not yet on the bargain counter, so the suggestion is as impudent as it is selfish. It is unthinkable that Britain would part with possessions that have been under the Union Jack for centuries. And besides, the people concerned have shown no desire to change their allegiance. They are more prosperous and contented under Britain than they would be with the United States. They have some knowledge of the rapacious United Fruit Company, whose schemes would be more easily realized under American authority than under present conditions and probably know it better than others.

American editors ought to know that the British possessions are not for sale. Several attempts have been made to annex Canada to the Republic, but failure has marked all of them. It is not likely that the West Indians are more inclined to join the Republic than Canadians have been.—Orange Sentinel.

VICTIMS OF THE PURIST

Over in West Kootenay police are prosecuting a Chinese restaurant owner for employing white girls. If this is law, then it's a bad one and should be repealed. Throughout the province of British Columbia restaurants are operated chiefly by Orientals. We will not dilate on whether this is a healthy condition, but all will admit that 95 per cent of the restaurants are Chinese operated. That being the case, why deny white girls the privilege of earning a decent living by working in them. Taking the girls out of these restaurants is not injuring the Chinese to any extent, as it only means the employment of more Chinese, which is the one thing we do not wish. If these restaurants are good enough to feed white people, isn't it infinitely better that white girls be given a chance to replace Chinese men. Invariably Chinese restaurant owners are kind to the white girls, as many will tell you. Besides, the pay is better than that of the ordinary domestic and in most cases less menial. Purists who abhor the thought of white girls being contaminated, would cast them into the street without a chance of earning a decent livelihood.

There is such a thing as carrying "protection" to the verge of starvation.—Kimberley Press.

VALUE OF PARKS
STRESSED BY MURPHY

The great stress cannot be placed on the value of the national parks of Canada to her people as places of recreation and to the country as a source of attraction to thousands of tourists, declared Hon. T. G. Murphy, minister of the interior, when interviewed on his recent visit to the west.

Four classes of parks, the minister said, are under the care of his department. The very large areas of finest natural scenery such as beautiful Jasper National Park, smaller scenic districts, as those in the Georgian Bay, animal parks such as Wainwright for the buffalo, and the many parks of historic value.

The minister made special reference to the Prince Albert National Park which has been greatly developed in recent years and to the Riding Mountain National Park, in Manitoba, which will be formally opened during the autumn of next year. Much wild life will be placed in this latter park to add to its already great attractiveness.

Abe: "Do you play golf mit knickerboys?"

Levi: "No, mit white people."



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OUR WONDERFUL ENGLISH

It is about time that something is done about words in our language having two meanings. For instance, the following letter was received by a company manufacturing corn syrup:

"Dear Sir—Although I have used six cans of your corn syrup, my fees are no better than when I started."

Old Gentleman: "Why, what has happened to your little brother, He is crying dreadfully."

Small Boy: "Well, you see, it's this way—we were trying to see who could lean out of the window the farthest, and he won."

"This theory about fish being brain food is all nonsense."

"Why do you say so?"

"Because the greatest number of fish are eaten by the very people who are idiots enough to sit out all day waiting for them to bite."

Chairman (at the smoking concert): "Miss Bello will now sing, 'Oh, that I were a dove, I'd fly,'"

Member of the audience: "Point of order, Mr. Chairman. Before the lady starts may I ask for a description of a dove-eyed flea?"

"I believe," said the cheery philosopher, "that for every single thing you give away, two-fold comes back to you."

"That's my experience," agreed Whifflebaum. "Last March I gave away my daughter, and she and her husband came back in July."

The Goosip—"I hear your store was robbed last night. Lose much?"

The Optimist—"Some. But if it would have been worse if the yeggs had got in the night before. You see, yesterday I just finished marking down everything 20 per cent."—Detroit News.

At Jimmy's home town a number of earthquakes had occurred; so Jimmy was sent to his uncle who lived many miles away, for safety.

Not many days later uncle Jerry returned Jimmy to his home with a note saying, "Jimmy is returned herewith—Please send us the earthquake."—Anonymous.

"What is your good husband's occupation, Liza?"

"He ain't got no occupation. He's daid. He done passed away fo-teen years ago, suh," replied the negress.

"Then to whom do all these children belong?"

"Deys mine, suh."

"Why, I thought you said your husband was dead?"

"He is, but ah ain't."

School Inspector (to pretty teacher)

"Do you teach observation?"

"Yes."

"Then I will take the class. Now, children shut your eyes and sit still."

Following this the inspector made a slow whistling sort of noise and followed with, "Now, children, what did I do?"

For some time there was no answer, but ultimately one little boy piped out, "You kissed teacher."

Mr. Editor:

Pa, said Jed Smith, was talking about Reds, coming home from church last Sunday. Pa, asked Jed if he knew what a Red was, Jed, says, A Red, is a man, who thinks that money is a dangerous thing for any one to have except himself, and that he wants to share what the other fellow works for without being fussy about working himself. Ma, says, and they don't like policemen, aint that funny and Jed says, you bet they don't. Is Jed and Ma, right.

Barn Yard Savage.